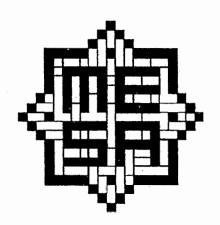
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Mission Statement

The Middle East Studies Association (MESA) is a non-profit association that fosters the study of the Middle East, promotes high standards of scholarship and teaching, and encourages public understanding of the region and its peoples through programs, publications and services that enhance education, further intellectual exchange, recognize professional distinction, and defend academic freedom in accordance with its status as a 501(c)(3) scientific, educational, literary, and charitable organization.

Vision Statement

The strength of MESA lies in its dual commitment to scholarship and advocacy. MESA fosters and disseminates inclusive scholarship, intellectual exchange beyond borders, and pedagogy about the Middle East and North Africa. MESA advocates for academic freedom. It is committed to supporting struggles against racism and anti-Blackness. It opposes anti-Muslim racism, anti-Semitism, and all forms of discrimination based on gender and sexuality. This vision of MESA's role will guide the implementation of the Strategic Plan over the coming five years.

Background and Plan of Action

The Strategic Planning Committee was constituted by the Board of Directors (BoD) in November 2019 to develop a plan with goals and objectives to guide the BoD and the Secretariat over the next five years. These goals serve as guidelines for MESA's leadership as it carries out the association's mission in a changing environment concerning research, pedagogy, employment, and threats to academic freedom and civil rights. MESA is committed to transparency and pluralism. This plan is an evolving document, and was circulated among MESA's affiliated organizations for feedback in December 2020. We continue to welcome input and comments from our members.

Long-Term Goals

Guided by MESA's mission and its dual commitment to scholarship and advocacy, the Strategic Plan recommends that MESA's BoD pursue the following goals:

- Further intellectual exchange in North America and globally 1.
- Advance research within and across disciplinary and regional 2. boundaries
- Support undergraduate and graduate students' professional and 3. intellectual development
- Encourage public understanding of, and reward public scholarship on, 4. the region
- Recognize the importance of academic freedom and contribute to its 5. defense
- Foster and promote anti-racism and anti-discrimination in MESA as an 6. organization and in the Middle East as an academic field.
- Preserve and enhance MESA's organizational independence and 7. financial health

Further Intellectual Exchange

Ongoing Practices:

- 1. Host an annual meeting which welcomes high-quality, diverse scholarship from a range of disciplines
- 2. Foster innovative and high-quality research through the publication of International Journal of Middle East Studies (IJMES) and Review of Middle East Studies (RoMES)
- 3. Actively maintain ties with scholars from the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region through the Global Academy, and help Global Academy Fellows to network with one another and with the institutional partners gathered into regional clusters of universities
- 4. Serve as a clearinghouse for information about programs of study and academic events related to the MENA region
- 5. Maintain affiliations with other academic organizations focusing on the MENA region in the United States and globally

- 1. Collaborate with other area studies professional organizations to support transregional scholarly initiatives
- Support the professional development of students and junior faculty through 2. webinars and panels or other workshops and gatherings at the annual meeting
- 3. Apply for foundation funding to support innovative seminars that advance the field of MENA studies, and partner with grant-receiving centers, institutes, or affiliates
- 4. Create a welcoming meeting space for all attendees through the enactment of policies developed by the Anti-Sexual Harassment Committee (ASH)
- 5. Incorporate anti-racism and anti-discrimination practices in all areas of intellectual exchange



Teaching, Pedagogy, and Student Support

Ongoing Practices:

- Coordinate with MESA's Committee for Undergraduate Middle East Studies (CUMES)
- 2. Support the organization's Undergraduate Education Award
- 3. Facilitate the Undergraduate Research Workshop at the annual meeting
- 4. Devote space in Issues in Middle East Studies to essays on pedagogy
- 5. Recognize excellence in research by graduate students through the Malcolm H. Kerr Dissertation Awards
- 6. Support graduate student participation in MESA through travel fellowships for students, and sponsoring panels and workshops at the annual meeting to benefit graduate students
- 7. Recognize the importance of graduate students in the organization through the Student Director position on the MESA Board

- Promote research on pedagogy through expanded publication opportunities in MESA outlets and encouraging papers and panels on pedagogy at the annual meeting
- Connect and seek collaborative opportunities with the teaching and learning programs of other area studies and disciplinary associations
- Share resources for undergraduate Middle East studies programs (creation of minors, certificates, program development, curriculum and assessment best practices)
- 4. Encourage the development of resources for pedagogical training, course design, instructional support, and professional development for graduate students in Middle East studies
- 5. Promote teaching and learning in MENA languages; seek opportunities for collaboration with centers and with language-specific professional associations



Academic Freedom Advocacy

Ongoing Practices:

- 1. Advocate through letter writing for the protection of academic freedom in North America and the Middle East, North Africa, and Gulf region
- 2. Publicize the work of the Committee on Academic Freedom (CAF) to the MESA membership and the broader academic and rights communities through the annual academic freedom award and annual meeting panels
- 3. Advise the board regarding sites or instances of particular concern for possible board action or statements
- Coordinate with the Task Force on Civil and Human Rights (TFCHR) in seeking 4. to protect institutions and scholars whose academic freedom is threatened in North America
- 5. Compile and provide resource materials for students, faculty, and administrators to address emerging challenges to academic freedom
- 6. Provide advice to other associations seeking to address academic freedom issues
- Join, where appropriate and with board approval, with other associations in 7. academic freedom petitions, letters, and campaigns

- 1. Identify ways to further publicize the academic freedom cases adopted
- 2. Engage in more systematic follow-up on cases about which CAF has written to note changes to or continuation of their circumstances
- 3. Further develop ties with academic freedom (or similar) committees in other academic associations in North America
- 4. Offer assistance, when appropriate, to Middle East studies associations based outside the United States seeking to establish academic freedom committees
- Coordinate outreach and identification of scholars with the MESA Global 5. Academy



Promoting Anti-Racism and Anti-Discrimination

MESA is committed to the struggles against racism, anti-Blackness, discrimination and the systemic and systematic prejudices directed against people of different identities and backgrounds. This means actively encouraging within our organization the participation of communities of color including Black, Native American, Indigenous, Latinx, and ethnic minorities as well as of people of different genders and LGBTQ2+ communities. Our commitment entails promoting research and teaching on the experiences of Black communities and other racialized minorities in the MENA region, on the historical and contemporary connections between the Middle East and other regions with an emphasis on Africa, and on themes, categories, and discourses regarding race and colorism in the MENA region.

MESA's centering of anti-racism and anti-discrimination work aims to move beyond increasingly ambiguous terms like "diversity" and "inclusion" by actively advancing, implementing, and institutionalizing processes within MESA that can help dismantle racist and discriminatory practices embedded in academia. This work extends to all the various marginalized histories, languages, and social groups of the Middle East and North Africa, and the variety of academic disciplines we use to study them.

Ongoing Practices:

- Continue consulting, as requested, with HBCUs and MSIs on the establishment 1. of programs and centers of Middle East studies
- 2. Continue support, as requested, to the Middle East Outreach Council to develop programs and materials that reach K-12 schools with significant Black, Latinx, Native American and Indigenous student bodies
- Charge the MESA Program Committee with ensuring that the Annual Meeting 3. covers diverse topics that speak to geographic linkages and marginalized groups, a greater emphasis on African communities and issues relating to transnational networks between Africa, the Americas, and the Middle East, and a broad range of presenters of diverse backgrounds in accordance with the goals described above
- Build on previous outreach to sister academic professional membership 4. associations to develop joint activities



Promoting Anti-Racism and Anti-Discrimination cont

- 1. Establish a committee charged with further articulating and implementing these goals. The committee is encouraged to consider developing some of the following proposals in addition to others it may recommend.
- 2. Coordinate with IJMES and RoMES editorial staffs and boards to develop plans for inclusion of diverse topics and authors in their pages
- 3. Work with CUMES to encourage the recruitment of undergraduate students from underrepresented minorities to study the Middle East and attend the MESA **Annual Meeting**
- 4. Develop a fellowship program for the annual meeting to encourage attendance of historically underrepresented groups of students and scholars in Middle East studies
- 5. Support panels, webinars, and resource lists on teaching about marginalized communities in the Middle East
- Develop a book prize or a best article prize for scholarship on issues of race and 6. color in the MENA region and the connections between the Middle East and Africa

MESA's Organizational Independence and Financial Stability

Ongoing practices:

- Support the reorganization and the transition of MESA's Secretariat to Washington, DC
- 2. Ensure that the Secretariat maintains a stable and independent working environment by continuing our productive relationship with the Institute for Middle East Studies at George Washington University's Elliot School for International Affairs
- 3. Secure the independence of the Secretariat's work.
- 4. Consult with and support BoD committees such as the MESA Global Academy, ASH, CAF, TFCHR, Committee on Precarity and Adjunctification, and Committee on Anti-Racism and Anti-Discrimination (CAA) on new projects and the expansion of MESA's commitments

- Reassess the office space needs of MESA's Secretariat in light of the reorganization of its staff and its move to the DC area
- Set priorities for MESA fundraising in an environment restricted by the economic downturn caused by COVID-19
- Task the Development Committee with developing a long-term fundraising strategy in consultation with the BoD
- 4. Approach foundations for programmatic funding of new initiatives, and clear potential approaches by the Global Academy to new funders









































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ARTICLE I. NAME, NATURE, and OBJECTIVES

Section 1. Name. The name of this organization shall be the MIDDLE EAST STUDIES ASSOCIATION of North America, Inc. It shall be known also as The Middle East Studies Association (MESA) (also referred to herein as "MESA" or the "Association").

Section 2. Nature and Objectives. THE MIDDLE EAST STUDIES ASSOCIATION is a non-profit association that fosters the study of the Middle East, promotes high standards of scholarship and teaching, and encourages public understanding of the region and its peoples through programs, publications and services that enhance education, further intellectual exchange, recognize professional distinction, and defend academic freedom in accordance with its status as a 501(c)(3) scientific, educational, literary, and charitable organization.

ARTICLE II. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Types of Membership. There shall be three categories of full members: Honorary Fellows, Fellows, and Student Members; one category of Associate Members; and one category of Institutional Members.

- **a.** Honorary Fellows. Honorary Fellows shall be limited to outstanding internationally recognized scholars who have made major contributions to Middle East studies. Honorary Fellowship shall be bestowed by nomination of the Board of Directors and conferred by the majority of those present and voting at any Annual Members meeting of the organization. Honorary Fellows shall retain their status until their resignation or death. Honorary Fellows shall be entitled to all the rights and duties of Fellows but shall not pay dues. There shall be no more than ten Honorary Fellows at any one time.
- **b.** Fellows. Fellows are defined as those individuals who have received a Doctorate related to Middle East studies and/or who have taught in Middle East studies and/or who have made a scholarly contribution to Middle East studies. Fellows shall be admitted to membership by approval of the majority of the Board of Directors. Annual dues as established by the Board of Directors must be paid to retain membership.
- **c.** Student Members. The Board of Directors may admit as Student Members registered graduate and undergraduate students interested in Middle East studies who may meet such qualifications as may be established by the members of the Association. Annual dues as established by the Board of Directors must be paid to retain membership. The Board of Directors may establish a time-limit for student membership.
- **d.** Associate Members. The Board of Directors may elect as Associate Members without the voting privilege persons interested in the study of the Middle East and who meet such qualifications as may be established by the members of the Association. They shall be entitled to attend all public meetings of the Association and to receive all publications of the Association. Annual dues as established by the Board of Directors must be paid to retain membership.
- **e.** Institutional Members. The Board of Directors may admit as Institutional Members without the voting privilege academic or philanthropic institutions which meet such qualifications as may be established by the Board of Directors. Institutional Members shall be subject to review every third year, to ensure their missions and objectives continue to coincide with those of MESA, as stated in Article I, Section 2. Annual dues as established by the Board of Directors must be paid to retain membership.
- **Section 2.** Voting. Only Full Members in good standing are eligible to vote by ballot (for the purposes of these bylaws "ballot" shall refer to both mailed paper and electronic mail ballot or any other means of electronic transmission approved by the Board of Directors) or voice vote in open sessions. Full Members in arrears of payment of dues shall be considered not in good standing.
- **Section 3.** Resignation and Removal of Members. A member of any category of membership may be removed at any time by a vote of the majority of the membership. Any member in any category may resign at any time.
- **Section 4.** Compensation. The Board of Directors may authorize reimbursement for expenses incurred by members in connection with the performance of their duties, provided however, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to preclude any member from serving the Association in any other capacity or receiving compensation for such services.

Section 5. Dues. Membership in any category is subject to such dues as may be fixed by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE III. ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION

Section 1. An Annual Meeting shall be held at a time and place to be determined by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. An Annual Members Meeting open to members and guests of the Association shall be held at the time and place of the Annual Meeting.

- **a.** The President or, in that Officer's absence, the President-Elect or Past-President, shall preside. In the event that none of these individuals is available, the Board of Directors shall select one of its members to preside.
- **b.** Procedure shall be governed by the latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order, and there shall be a parliamentarian who shall advise the presiding officer.
- **c.** There shall be a quorum for the Annual Members Meeting of 35 voting members of the Association in good standing. In the absence of a quorum, the Meeting may be held, but no votes may be taken.
- **d.** Only Full Members in good standing may vote at the meeting.
- e. Voting at the Annual Members Meeting shall be of two kinds.
- 1). Voting which seeks only to determine the "sense of the meeting."
- **2).** Voting which seeks only to submit the question to the membership at a future time in the form of a ballot. Any vote to submit a matter to the general membership must be passed by a majority of those present and voting, providing there is a quorum at the time the vote is taken. Matters which are passed by the required majority shall be submitted to the membership under procedures described in Article III, Section 5.

Section 3. Special Meetings of the members shall be called at any time by the Executive Director of the Association upon the request of the majority of the Board Members or upon request of no less than one-fourth of the voting members of the Association.

Section 4. Resolutions

- a. The Board of Directors may present resolutions to the Annual Members Meeting.
- **b.** Any member of the Association in good standing with voting rights may, subject to the following rules, present resolutions at the Annual Members Meeting.
- 1). Resolutions must be received in writing by the office of the Executive Director of the Association not later than three weeks prior to the Annual Meeting; must be signed by at least seventy-five members of the Association in good standing with voting rights; must not be more than 300 words in length including background material; and must deal with a matter of concern to the Association or to the academic profession.
- **c.** Resolutions may be voted upon at the Annual Members Meeting to determine "the sense of the meeting" or;
- **d.** Resolutions designed to determine Association policy, to instruct the Board, or to amend the Bylaws, must be voted upon at the Annual Members Meeting to determine whether they should be submitted to the membership at a future time in the form of a ballot. A majority of those members present and entitled to vote, and constituting a quorum, shall be required to pass such a resolution. Resolutions passed by the required majority shall be submitted to the membership under procedures described in Article III, Section 5.

Section 5. Referenda

- **a.** Referenda are defined as the casting of votes by the membership in good standing and with voting rights on issues other than elections, providing each member has been furnished with a ballot. Referenda may be initiated by the Board of Directors or by vote at the Annual Members Meeting as specified in Article III, Sections 2 and 4.
- **b.** The Board of Directors may present its opinion on a referendum issue in writing at the time the mail ballot is sent to the membership.
- **c.** Ballots must be returned by a date determined by the Executive Director, but not less than thirty (30) days from the issue of the ballot to be counted.
- **d.** The result of the vote by members in good standing with voting rights shall be decided by a majority of those voting, or two-thirds of those voting for amendments (Article VIII).

ARTICLE IV. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Management. The affairs and the property of the Association shall be managed by the Board of Directors (herein-after sometimes referred to as the Board or the Directors). The membership may originate general policies and give general directives to the Board. The Directors shall act only as a Board and individual Directors shall have no power as such.

Section 2. Annual Meeting. There shall be at least one Annual Meeting of the Board scheduled on the day before the opening of the annual conference and meetings-in-conjunction day. Such Annual Meetings of the Board shall be general meetings and open for the transaction of any business except in any case where special notice is required by law, by the Certificate of Incorporation, or by the Bylaws. They will be held in executive session and open to Board Members, both voting and ex-officio, and invited guests.

Section 3. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board shall be called at any time by the Executive Director upon the request of the President or upon the request of no less than a majority of the Directors.

Section 4. Notification. All Board Members will be given at least fourteen days notice of the time and location of board meetings.

Section 5. Quorum. At all meetings of the Board the presence of a majority of the Directors shall be necessary and sufficient to constitute a quorum. Except as otherwise provided by law or by the Bylaws, the act of a majority of the Directors present and voting shall be the act of the Board.

Section 6. Numbers of Directors. The Board of Directors shall consist of nine voting persons: The President, the President-Elect or the immediate Past-President, six Members of the Board, and one Student Member of the Board. The Executive Director and Treasurer shall serve on the Board as non-voting members.

Section 7. Election of Members of the Board. The Nominating Committee, described in Article VI, Section 2, shall annually nominate four Fellows as candidates for two vacancies of the Fellows Members of the Board. The Nominating Committee shall biennially nominate two Student Members for the one vacancy of the Student Member of the Board. Additional nominations may be made by petition from the membership to the Nominating Committee. Any Fellows Member may be nominated a candidate for Fellows Member of the Board by a petition signed by seventy-five Fellows in good standing provided the nominee has agreed to run and the petition is received at the Secretariat by the tenth of June. Any Student Member may be nominated a candidate for Student Member of the Board by a petition signed by seventy-five Student Members in good standing provided the nominee has agreed to run and the petition is received at the Secretariat by the tenth of June. The Committee shall, with the help of the Executive Director, conduct the election. Ballots shall be provided by the Secretariat in sufficient time so that they may be reasonably returned by a deadline before the Annual Meeting. The Nominating Committee may instruct the Executive Director to count the ballots and to have the results certified by a notary public. A plurality of the votes cast shall be required for election. Only the Ballots of members in good standing shall be counted. In preparing the list of nominees, the Nominating Committee shall keep in mind the desirability of having representation on the Board from the various sections of the United States and Canada, as well as scholars representing interests in the several regions of the Middle East and the various disciplines represented in Middle Eastern studies. The six Fellows Members of the Board shall be elected by the members of the Association. These six Fellows Members shall be elected from the Fellows by a plurality of the vote cast, with two Fellows Members being elected each year. Each person elected a Fellows Member of the Board shall continue in office until his or her term of three years has expired or until his or her successor shall have been duly elected and qualifies, or until his or her earlier death, resignation or removal in accordance with the Bylaws. The Student Member of the Board shall be elected by the members of the Association. The Student Member of the Board shall be elected from the Student Members by a plurality of the vote cast, with one Student Member of the Board being elected every odd-numbered year. The elected Student Member of the Board shall continue in office until his or her term of two years has expired or until his or

her successor shall have been duly elected and qualifies, or until his or her earlier death, resignation or removal in accordance with the Bylaws. Additional Members of the Board to fill any vacancy or vacancies caused by failure to elect the full number of members or the death, resignation or removal of any member may be elected by a majority of the remaining Board of Directors. The term of office begins after the Annual Meeting which follows his or her election. Only Fellows in good standing shall be eligible to serve as Fellows Members of the Board of Directors. Only Student Members in good standing shall be eligible to serve as a Student Member of the Board of Directors.

Section 8. Resignation and Removal of Directors. Any Director may be removed at any time with or without cause and with or without notice at any meeting of the members by a vote of the majority of the members of the Association. Any Director may resign at any time.

Section 9. Compensation. The Directors shall not receive compensation for their services as such but the Board may authorize reimbursement of expenses incurred by Directors in connection with the performance of their duties provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to preclude any Director from serving the Association in any other capacity or receiving compensation for any such services.

Each Director and Officer, whether or not then in office, shall be indemnified by the Association against all liabilities, costs and expenses reasonably incurred by or imposed upon him or her in connection with or arising out of any action, suit or proceeding in which he or she may be involved or to which he or she may be made a party by reason of his or her being or having been a Director or Officer of the Association; such expense to include the cost of reasonable settlements (other than amounts paid to the Association itself) made with a view to curtailment of costs of litigation. The Association shall not, however, indemnify such Director or Officer with respect to matters as to which he or she shall be finally adjudged in any action, suit or proceeding to have been derelict in the performance of his or her duty as such Director or Officer, nor in respect of any matter on which any settlement or compromise is effected, if the total expense, including the cost of the settlement, shall substantially exceed the expense which might reasonably be incurred by such Director or Officer in conducting such litigation to a final conclusion; and in no event shall anything herein contained be so construed as to authorize the Association to indemnify any such Director or Officer against any liability or expense by reason of willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of the duties involved in the conduct of his or her office. The foregoing right of indemnification shall not be exclusive of other rights to which any Director or Officer may be entitled as a matter of law.

Section 10. Action Without Meeting. Any action required or permitted to be taken by the Board of Directors under any provision of the Association Code may be taken without a meeting of the Board of Directors if all Members of the Board shall individually or collectively consent in writing to such action. Such written consent or consents shall be filed with the minutes or proceedings of the Board. Such action by written consent shall have the same force and effect as a unanimous vote of such Directors.

Section 11. Limitation of Authority. No Officer authorized to spend or obligate expenditure of MESA funds may expend more than 5% of the total budget or 150% of any line item of budget without approval of the majority of the Board of Directors.

Section 12. Determination of Organization and Assets. If the number of eligible voting members falls below 80 for two consecutive fiscal years, a majority of the Board of Directors may terminate the organization and liquidate the assets remaining after the payment of all its obligations and these shall be given to one or more non-profit charitable corporations incorporated in the United States if approved by appropriate federal and state authorities as required by law. No member of MESA, other person or corporation except a non-profit charitable corporation, shall by virtue of such liquidation ever receive or be entitled to any of the assets of MESA.

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS

Section 1. Number of Officers. The Officers of the Association shall be a President, who shall serve a two-year term and serve as Chair of the Board, a President-Elect or an immediate Past-President, an Executive Director, and a Treasurer. One person may not hold two or more of the aforesaid offices except those of the Executive Director and Treasurer. The President-Elect and the Past-President shall not hold office at the same time.

Section 2. Election of Officers. The President-Elect shall be elected biennially by the members. The Nominating Committee, described in Article VI, Section 2, shall nominate Fellows as candidates for office. It shall nominate two Fellows for the office of a President-Elect. Additional nominations may be made by petition from the membership to the Nominating Committee. Any Fellows Member may be nominated a candidate for Officer by a petition signed by seventy-five Fellows in good standing provided the nominee has agreed to run and the petition is received at the Secretariat by the tenth of June. The Committee shall, with the help of the Executive Director, conduct the election. Ballots shall be provided by the Secretariat in sufficient time so that they may be reasonably returned by a deadline before the Annual Meeting. The Nominating Committee may instruct the Executive Director to count the ballots and to have the results certified by a notary public. A plurality of the votes cast shall be required for election. Only the Ballots of members in good standing shall be counted. In preparing the list of nominees, the Nominating Committee shall keep in mind the desirability of having representation on the Board from the various sections of the United States and Canada, as well as scholars representing interests in the several regions of the Middle East and the various disciplines represented in Middle Eastern studies. Vacancies of Officers caused by failure to elect the full slate thereof or caused by death or resignation, or increase in the number of Officers may be filled by a majority vote of the Board at a special meeting called for that purpose or at any regular meeting. New Officers will fill out the term of existing Officers.

Section 3. Additional Officers. The Board at any meeting may by resolution appoint such additional Officers and such agents and employees, and determine their term of office and compensation, if any, as it may deem advisable. The Board may delegate to any Officer or committee the power to appoint such subordinate Officers or agents and to determine their terms of office and compensation, if any. Such additional Officers will not be a Member of the Board of Directors unless so specified in these Bylaws.

Section 4. Removal of Officers. Any Officer may be removed at any time with or without cause and with or without notice by a vote of the majority of the body electing or appointing him or her.

Section 5. President. The President's term shall be for two years and the President shall be a Member of the Board and all committees ex officio, shall serve as Chair of the Board and shall be a Member of the Board for the year following his or her term in office. He or she shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Association and shall have general supervision of the affairs and property of the Association and over its

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several Officers, and shall generally do and perform all acts incident to the office of President, and shall have such additional powers and duties as may from time to time be assigned to him or her by the Board. When authorized by the Board, the President may sign and execute, in the name of the Association, deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts or other instruments authorized by the Board, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board or by these Bylaws to some other Officer or agent of the Association. The President begins his or her term immediately after serving as President-Elect, and he or she takes office following the Annual Meeting.

Section 6. The President-Elect. The President-Elect, at the request of the President, or in the President's absence or disability, shall perform all the duties of the President subject to all the restrictions upon the President. When authorized by the Board, the President-Elect may also sign and execute, in the name of the Association, deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts or other instruments authorized by the Board, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board or by these Bylaws to some other office or agent of the Association. The President-Elect shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him or her by the Board or the President. The President-Elect serves for one year as the President-Elect, beginning after the Annual Meeting which follows his or her election.

Section 7. The Past-President. The Past-President, at the request of the President, or in the President's absence or disability, shall perform all the duties of the President subject to all the restrictions upon the President. When authorized by the Board, the Past-President may also sign and execute, in the name of the Association, deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts or other instruments authorized by the Board, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board or by these Bylaws to some other office or agent of the Association. The Past-President shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him or her by the Board or the President. The Past-President serves for one year following his or her term as President.

Section 8. The Treasurer. The Board shall appoint a Treasurer and shall determine his or her compensation, if any. The Treasurer shall act under the supervision of the Board and have charge and custody of, and be responsible for, all the funds of the Association and shall keep or cause to be kept and shall be responsible for the keeping of, accurate and adequate records of the assets, liabilities and transactions of the Association. He or she shall deposit all monies and other valuable effects of the Association in the name of and to the credit of the Association in trust companies or other depositories as may be designated in the manner provided in Article VII, Sections 5 and 6. In general, he or she shall perform all duties incident to the Office of Treasurer and such other duties as may from time to time be assigned to him or her by the Board or the President. If required by the Board, the Treasurer shall give a bond for the faithful discharge of his or her duties in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the Board shall determine. The expense of such bond shall be paid by the Association. The Office of Treasurer may be combined with any other office, as the Board may direct.

Section 9. Executive Director. The Board shall appoint an Executive Director and shall determine the length of service and compensation of the office holder. The Term of office is not to exceed five years, although he or she will be eligible for reappointment. The organization and management of the Secretariat shall be reviewed by the Board of Directors annually. The Executive Director is subject to removal as specified in Article V, Section 4. The Executive Director shall be the Chief Administrative Officer of the Association. It shall be his or her duty, under the direction of the Board, to oversee the affairs of the

Association, to have responsibility for the continuing operations of the Association, to assist the work of its committees, to assist in the formulation of policies and projects for submission to the Board of Directors, to execute the instructions of the President and the Board, to prepare minutes of the meetings of the Board and the meetings of the Association, to authenticate the records of the Association, and to perform such other duties as the President and the Board may direct.

ARTICLE VI. COMMITTEES

Section 1. Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall consist of the Officers of the Association. It shall act on behalf of the Board of Directors in the operation of the Association and shall have such authority as may be established from time-to-time by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee shall be nominated at the Annual Meeting. It shall consist of five Fellows in good standing and one Student Member in good standing. The Board of Directors shall submit a list of names of at least eight Fellows for five positions and a list of names of at least four Student Members for one position. Additional names may be proposed from the floor at the time of the Annual Members Meeting. The Nominating Committee shall be elected by ballot in advance of the Annual Meeting, under the guidance of the Board of Directors, with the assistance of the Executive Director. The five Fellows and one Student Member receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected. The Executive Director shall serve as the non-voting chair of the Nominating Committee. The elected Nominating Committee shall proceed in the manner described in Article IV, Section 7 and Article V, Section 2.

Section 3. Annual Meeting Program Committee. Members of the Program Committee shall be appointed by the Board after it hears the recommendations of the Program Chair- designate. They shall serve from the date of their appointment until the close of the official program of the Annual Meeting for which they are responsible. All panels, plenary sessions, or other aspects of the official program for the Annual Meeting shall be organized under the direction of the Program Committee, and no panels shall be allotted as a bloc to any person or group of persons outside the Committee. Only programs organized and approved under the direct control of the Program Committee shall be printed in the official program, except when the Board, on the recommendation of the Program Committee, decides otherwise. Nothing in this rule shall be construed to prohibit or restrain the Association's policy of, where feasible, making meeting rooms available and assisting in the announcement of special meetings organized to serve the purpose of the Association or its members.

Section 4. Publications Committee. The Publications Committee shall consist of five persons: the Editor of the International Journal of Middle East Studies, the Editor of the MESA Review of Middle East Studies (formerly known as the MESA Bulletin), one elected Member of the Board of Directors appointed by the Board, and two members-at-large appointed by the Board. The Editors of the two journals continue to serve on the Committee as long as they hold their editorial positions, the members-at-large serve for a period of three years, and the Member of the Board serves for two or three years, depending upon his or her tenure on the Board. The Member of the Board other than the editors of IJMES and the MESA Review of Middle East Studies shall be the Chair. The Committee shall coordinate and review the publication activities of the Association, and report annually to the Board of Directors.

Section 5. Personnel Committee. The Personnel Committee shall consist of three persons: The MESA President as chair, and two senior Fellow Members from the Board of Directors—one of whom may be the Past President (if available)—appointed by the President in consultation with the Executive Director. The Committee shall conduct the annual review of the Executive Director, address any personnel issues that arise, and assess the staffing needs of the Association in collaboration with the Executive Director. The Committee shall submit its report and recommendations annually to the Board of Directors for approval.

Section 6. Other Committees. The Board may constitute such other committees of Directors, Officers, employees, members, or other persons, with such functions, powers and duties as the Board shall provide. Each such committee shall operate in accordance with these Bylaws and the directives of the Board. Eligibility for membership shall be determined by the Board, and all such committees shall report their activities to the full membership annually. The names of the members of each committee and their terms of office shall be made known to the members at least annually.

ARTICLE VII. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Section 1. Offices. The Board may establish, from time to time, and in addition to the location of the Secretariat, one or more offices of the Association at any place or places and may maintain such office or offices for such period or periods of time as it may deem expedient.

Section 2. Fiscal Year and Audit. The fiscal year of the Association shall end on December 31 in each year. There shall be an annual audit of the Association, the result of which shall be reported to the members.

Section 3. Execution of Contracts. The Board may authorize any Officer, employee or agent, in the name of and on behalf of the Association, to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instance, and the Board may provide for such Officer, employee or agent to delegate such authority to other Officers, employees or agents, subject to the limitations set forth in these Bylaws.

Section 4. Loans. No loan shall be contracted on behalf of the Association unless authorized by the Board.

Section 5. Commercial Paper. All checks, drafts and other orders for the payment of money out of the funds of the Association, and all notes or evidences of indebtedness of the Association shall be executed on behalf of the Association by such Officer or Officers or employee or employees, as may be determined by resolution of the Board, or by designation of an Officer or Officers to whom such power of designation shall have been conferred by the Board.

Section 6. Deposits. All funds of the Association not otherwise employed shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Association in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as the Board may from time to time select or as may be selected by any Officer or employee of the Association to whom such power may from time to time be delegated by the Board (or by an Officer or Officers to whom such power of designation shall have been conferred by the Board), may endorse, assign and deliver checks, drafts and other orders for the payment of money which are payable to the order of the Association.

Section 7. Notices. Except as may otherwise be required by law, any notice required to be given under these Bylaws shall be in writing and signed by the President or the Executive Director.

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Section 8. Affiliated Organizations. Organizations having a scholarly interest in the Middle East and whose memberships include a substantial number of members of the Association may be affiliated with the Association. Affiliation is subject to acceptance by the Board of Directors, and affiliations shall be subject to review every third year. Affiliated organizations may meet under the aegis of the Association at the Annual Meeting, and participate in the program of the Annual Meeting, subject to approval and scheduling by the Program Committee of the Annual Meeting.

Section 9. Virtual Meetings and Participation by Certain Electronic Means. Subject to the provisions of applicable statutes and these Bylaws, any meetings of the Members and meetings of the Directors, including Annual Meetings, may be held virtually or in a hybrid format approved by the Board of Directors through the use of any means of communication by which all Members and Directors participating may simultaneously hear each other during the meeting and have a reasonable opportunity to participate in the meeting. A Member or Director participating in a meeting by this means is deemed to be present in person at the meeting.

ARTICLE VIII. AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

Amendments to these Bylaws may be proposed by 1) The Board of Directors or 2) by petitions signed by 75 voting members in good standing. All amendments shall be governed by the regulations contained in Article III, Sections 4 and 5, except that amendments must have a two-thirds majority of those voting.

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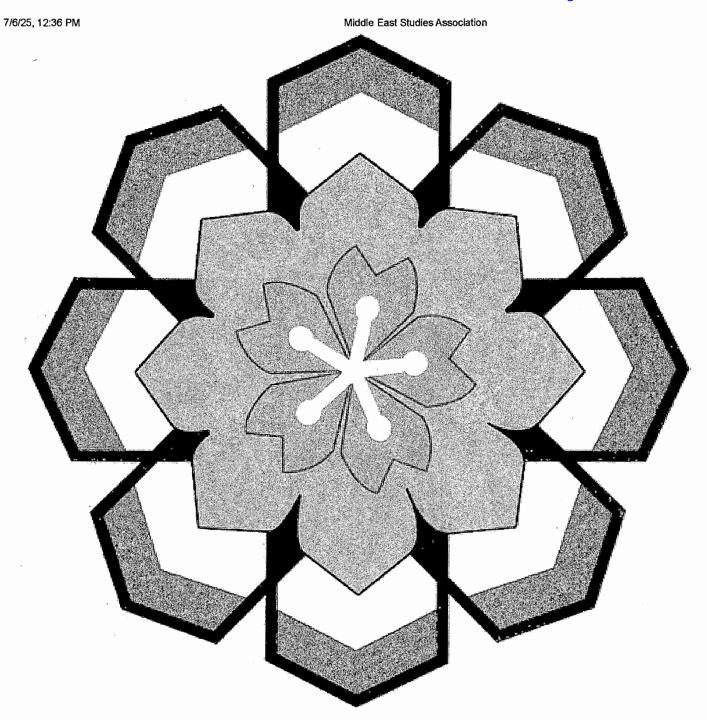
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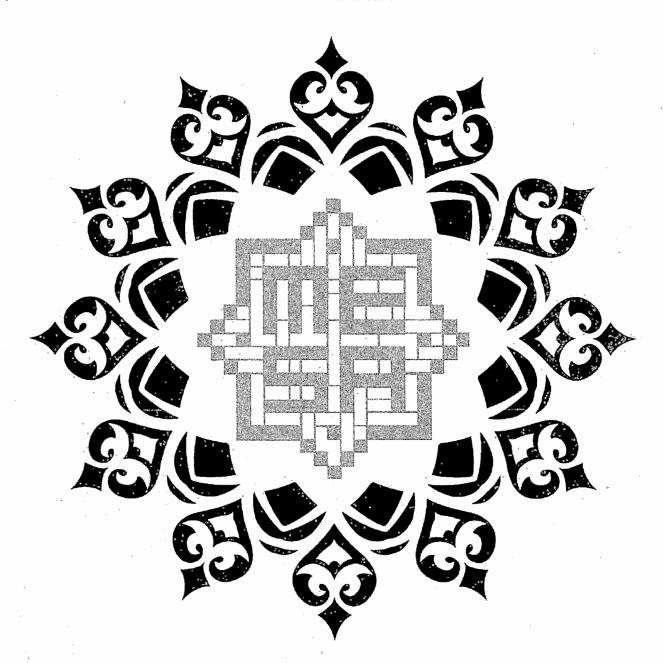
The Middle East Studies Association's 59th annual meeting will be held in Washington DC from November 22-25, 2025.

The MESA 2025 Call for Papers is now closed. Decisions will be announced by May 1. The hotel room block is now open for reservations.

Advocacy

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The Middle East Studies Association (MESA) advocates on behalf of its members on issues that are central to its mission.

This includes statements and letters from MESA's Board of Directors, MESA's Committee on Academic Freedom, the Task Force on Civil and Human Rights, and the MESA Global Academy.

Middle East Studies Association

Become a Member



Be a part of a community of scholars who are passionate about the pursuit of academic knowledge on the MENA region. Help MESA defend academic freedoms. Share your research at the annual meeting. Access the best, cutting-edge scholarship in person at the conference or online in our journals.

Join or renew today!

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Member Announcements

Advisory regarding U.S. Travel Ban

MESA's Board of Directors and Task Force on Civil and Human Rights have issued a new advisory regarding the latest travel restrictions enacted by the Trump Administration.

MESA 2025 Hotel Reservations

To book your room, please see here.

Issues of IJMES, RoMES, and IMES available

To access, select the Publications tab in your myMESA account then click the publication image.

Security Alerts for Researchers and Students

There are two active security alerts issued by MESA's Board of Directors for those embarking on research in Egypt and UAE.

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JUNE 23, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Digital Content Associate, MESA Acade

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The Middle East Studies Association (MESA) is seeking a part Freedom Initiative.

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MAY 13, 2025 · TASK FORCE ON CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Launching MESA's Academic Freedom Ini

MESA has been building out the Academic Freedom Initiative (AF identify and track trends regarding academic freedom and repre datasets focus on recent immigration actions affecting higher ed university employees since October 2023.

Resources

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Academic Freedom Initiative

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FEBRUARY 07, 2025 · TASK FORCE ON CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS

MESA Advocacy Resource Center

MESA's Task Force has created a new advocacy resource cen repression of rights on campuses across North America and

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JULY 02, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Call for Applications: 2026-27 Membershij School of Historical Studies

Institute for Advanced Study - School of Historical Studies

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The Institute for Advanced Study School of Historical Studies inv

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JULY 02, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Assistant Professor in the history of Arab Migration, Mobility and Diaspora

Khayrallah Center/North Carolina State University

The Department of History and the Khayrallah Center for Le invite applications to fill the Akram Khater Distinguished Pr for a tenure-track appointment at the rank of Assistant Prof Diaspora, beginning August 2026.

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JULY 01, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Ethnographic Experiments from and with

Doha Institute for Graduate Studies

Submit your paper for the Ethnographic Experiments from and v Institute for Graduate Studies December 15-16.

= Calls for Submissions

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JUNE 30, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

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Our letter expressing alarm regarding the imminent risk of death row in Iran and joining global academic & human right

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Iran

Ahmadreza Djalali

JUNE 26, 2025 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE BOARD

MESA Board Joint Letter with CAF to Univ

MESA expresses grave concern regarding the University of Utah' understanding (MOU) with Ariel University, located in the illegal Bank. The University of Utah has become the first American acad deal with Ariel University, the establishment of which constitute agreement is also in violation of international law, and comes aft repression of Palestinian universities in the West Bank and its de Gaza.

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Ariel University, University of Utalı

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JUNE 24, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Assistant, Associate or Full Professor in Anthropology (Fall 2026)

The American University in Cairo

The Department of Sociology, Egyptology and Anthropology (SEA) invites applications for an Assistant or Associate Professor of Anthropology with expertise in either the Anthropology of Religion and/or the Anthropology of the Environment.

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JUNE 23, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter to protest the intensification of Isr sector in the occupied West Bank

Our letter vigorously condemning the ongoing and intensifying ε occupied West Bank. We call upon various international bodies a Palestinians to continue their education unimpeded and their un mission.

JUNE 22, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

CFP: NAAIMS Webinar Conference on "Islam and AI" (Nov. 20, 2025; abstracts due July 11)

North American Association of Islamic and Muslim Studies

The 54th Annual Conference "Islam and AI: Challenges and opportunities" calls for paper submissions.

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IUNE 22, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Conference "Minority Law in Arab States

AGYA & Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International

The international conference "Minority Law in Arab States: Gove in Hamburg, July 14-15.

JUNE 20, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter to San José State University regarding the termination of Professor Sang Hea Kil

Our letter expressing concern at the decision of the San José State University (SJSU) administration to terminate the employment of Professor Sang Hea Kil, a tenured member of the Department of Justice Studies, due to alleged violations of university time, manner and place rules.

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Professor Sang Hea Kil, San José State University

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Lecturer in Arabic

Ohio State University

The Department of Near Eastern and South Asian Languages a. position (non-tenure track) in Arabic culture.

= Employment

JUNE 16, 2025 · NEWS

In Memoriam, Peter Chelkowski (1933-2024)

MESA mourns the passing of Dr. Peter J. Chelkowski on Octo

JUNE 16, 2025 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Advisory on Travel Ban and Annual Meeti MESA Board of Directors and the Task For

Joint statement from the MESA Board and Task Force regarding t response.

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JUNE 11, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Problem Areas, Disciplinary Boundaries, and Scholarly Practice in the Post-Formative Period

Ghent University

The ERC-project KNOW: Polymathy and Interdisciplinarity in Premodern Islamic Epistemic Cultures (1200-1800) invites abstract submissions for its first international workshop to be held at Ghent University on 2-4 June 2026.

⊕ Europe

JUNE 11, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Symposium "Islamic Law in Comparative and Epistemologies" in honour of Profess

Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private I

This event will celebrate the extensive and influential research o Institute of Comparative Law) on Islamic law and the field of com-

JUNE 10, 2025 · NEWS

MESA Files Amicus Brief in Harvard Lawsuit Challenging Federal Funding Cuts

MESA has filed an amicus curiae brief in support of Harvard University in its federal lawsuit challenging the Trump administration's funding cuts.

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JUNE 04, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Assistant Professor in Political Science wi

The American University in Cairo

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MAY 27, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter to George Washington University protesting the administration's actions against graduating senior Cecilia Culver because of remarks she made about Palestine during her commencement address

Our letter expressing concern about the decision of the administration of the George Washington University to ban graduating senior Cecilia Culver from campus and threaten to investigate her for possible student conduct code violations.

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George Washington University

MAY 27, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

International Winter School 2026: Call for

The Arab Center for Research and Policy Studies

ACRPS invites applications for the seventh International Winter: Paradigm Shift or a Passing Trend?" in Doha, Qatar.

≡ Calls for Submissions

MAY 20, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Arab Graduate Students Conference 20

Arab Center for Research & Policy Studies

The Center invites applications for its Fifth Conference for A from 11-13 April 2026, at the Arab Center premises in Doha,

Conferences

MAY 19, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter to New York University concerning degree of graduating senior Logan Rozos proceedings against him

Our letter expressing concern about the decision of NYU to withl subject him to disciplinary action because of remarks he made at ceremony of the Gallatin School of Individualized Study

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• New York University

MAY 19, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

LEO Lecturer I - Arabic Language

University of Michigan Middle East Studies

The College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and the Department of Middle East Studies invite applications for a LEO Lecturer I in Arabic Language for the Fall 2025 Term.

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About

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Vision Statement

The strength of MESA lies in its dual commitment to scholarship and advocacy. MESA fosters, sustains, and disseminates scholarship, intellectual exchange beyond borders, and pedagogy. MESA advocates for academic freedom as well as the civil and human rights of scholars and students in the field of Middle East studies. MESA is proud to serve as an association that gives voice to the value of studying the Middle East in its global context, opposes all forms of discrimination, and defends the mission of higher education in both North America and in the MENA/SWANA region.

Description

The Middle East Studies Association (MESA) is a private, non-profit learned society that brings together scholars, educators and those interested in the study of the region from all over the world.

MESA is primarily concerned with the study of the Middle East (including Southwest Asia, the Arab world, and North Africa) from the seventh century to today, though not at the exclusion of earlier time periods. Other areas of Africa, Asia, Europe, and the Americas—including diaspora communities—are also included as part of the study of the transnational dimensions of the societies of the Middle East in an interdisciplinary and comparative context.

From its inception in 1966 with 51 founding members, MESA has increased its membership into the thousands and now serves as an umbrella organization for dozens of institutional members and affiliated organizations. The association is a constituent society of the American Council of Learned Societies, the National Council of Area Studies Associations, and a member of the National Humanities Alliance.

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As part of its goal to advance learning, facilitate communication and promote cooperation, MESA sponsors an annual meeting that is a leading international forum for scholarship, intellectual exchange, and pedagogical innovation. It is responsible for the *International Journal of Middle East Studies*, the premiere journal on the region, the MESA *Review of Middle East Studies* and a biannual newsletter. An awards program recognizes scholarly achievement, service to the profession, and exemplary student mentoring. MESA is governed by a nine-member Board of Directors elected by the membership.

Strategic Plan

MESA has adopted a strategic plan for 2021-2025.

Privacy Policy

MESA's privacy policy governs the manner in which MESA collects, uses, maintains and discloses information collected from users of the mesana.org website and the myMESA membership portal.

Policy on public statements and media appearances

MESA has adopted a spokesperson policy on the authority to represent or speak on behalf of the association.

Guidelines Governing Donations and Solicitation of Gifts

MESA has adopted guidelines that govern how it receives donations and/or solicits gifts.

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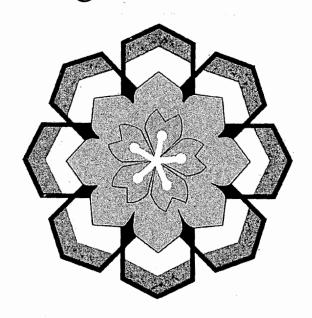
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Current Meeting

Current Meeting





MESA 2025 November 22-25, 2025 Westin Washington, DC Downtown

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DEADLINES

Registration

All are invited to attend MESA's 59th Annual Meeting. You must register to attend. Please see the registration page for further details on rates, policies, and deadlines.

Program

MESA members may view the tentative, searchable program in their myMESA accounts starting July 1. A printable preliminary program will be available in September.

Hotel

MESA has contracted with the Westin Washington, DC Downtown for a room rate of \$209 for single occupancy (before taxes and fees).

Make your reservation by October 30, 2025 to receive the discounted rate.

Questions?

Current Meeting

Email meeting@mesana.org with your questions or inquiries.

Committee on Academic Freedom

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Committee on Academic Freedom

MESA's Committee on Academic Freedom comprises two sub-committees: MENA (Middle East and North Africa) and NA (North America). The mission of CAF is to address violations by protesting them at the highest government and diplomatic levels of the country where the violation occurs. The cases that CAF has addresses can be viewed in the list of interventions. To learn more about CAF, read the Committee's protocol.

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New York University

MAY 12, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter to Protest the Unjust Detention of Amirhossein Moradi for the Past Five Yea

Our letter calling for the immediate and unconditional release of who were denied fair trials and have been unjustly imprisoned for mistreatment. In addition, the letter urges President Pezeshkian students' rights and academic freedom. It also highlights the bro following the 2022 "Woman, Life, Freedom" protests, during which disciplinary actions.

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APRIL 29, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter to the University of Notre Dame cancellation of a keynote lecture by Pr

Our letter condemning the last-minute cancellation of a key Abdelhadi, purportedly on grounds of security.

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Professor Eman Abdelhadi, University of Notre Dame

APRIL 28, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter to the University of Colorado-Bouluniversity's failure to respond adequately students

Our letter expressing concern about the University of Colorado-E physical assault committed on campus against students advocati:

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University of Colorado-Boulder

Committee on Academic Freedom

APRIL 28, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter regarding treatment of students and scholars protesting the pretrial imprisonment of Istanbul Mayor İman

Our letter regarding the use of violence by the police, as wel academics, and related institutions participating in protests imamoğlu following the annulment of his bachelor's degree.

- Interventions
- ⊕ Turkey

APRIL 15, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter concerning the ongoing mistreatm translator Kholoud Said

Our third letter to Egyptian officials regarding the unjust circum Said. We call on the authorities to dismiss all charges against her Alexandrina.

- Interventions
- ⊕ Egypt
- Kholoud Said

APRIL 08, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter to Yale University regarding the

Our letter expressing concern about the termination of Dr. I and Political Economy Project and associate research schola obscure website whose founders and contributors are anony

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- **⊕** US
- Helyeli Doutaghi, Yale University

MARCH 31, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter to Harvard University protesting the associate director of the Center for Middle

Our letter expressing concern about Harvard University's decisic Professor Rosie Bsheer as, respectively, director and associate di Studies

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- Harvard University

Committee on Academic Freedom

MARCH 17, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter to the leadership of Columbia U Trump administration's ultimatum of defense of academic freedom & the un

Our letter expressing outrage about the letter dated 13 Marc officials, and to urge you to respond in a principled and forc extreme demands that it sets forth

- Interventions
- ⊕ us
- Columbia University

MARCH 17, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter to the Association of Collegiate Sch cancellation of a planned special journal

Our letter expressing concern about the decision of the Board of Architecture to cancel a planned issue of the Journal of Architect equally disturbed by the board's termination of JAE Interim Exec

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- Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture, Journal of At

MARCH 06, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter to NY Governor Hochul and leaders of the City University of New York regarding the Palestinian Studies

Our letter expressing grave concern about Governor Hochul University of New York (CUNY) take down a posted advertis Palestinian Studies

- Interventions
- ⊕ us
- City University of New York CUNY, Governor Hochul, Hur

MARCH 06, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter protesting the ongoing unjust inca

Our tenth letter to express our outrage and deep concern, and de (Iranian-Swedish) Dr. Ahmadreza Djalali who has been detained on the basis of a forced confession.

- **=** Interventions
- ⊕ Iran
- Ahmadreza Djalali

Committee on Academic Freedom

MARCH 03, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

MESA Statement on Dr. Laila Soueif

MESA expresses profound concern regarding the deteriorati of her son Alaa Abdel-Fattah and the end of violations of aca

- **⊕** Egypt

FEBRUARY 14, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Salma al-Shehab released from prison

CAF welcomes the recent news that Salma al-Shehab has been rel

- Updates
- ⊕ Saudi Arabia
- (7) Salma al-Shehab

FEBRUARY 10, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter to MIT expressing concern abou Michel DeGraff to teach a course relati

Our letter expressing concern about the decision of MIT's De Michel DeGraff permission to offer a proposed course on lan

- Interventions
- **⊕** US
- \circlearrowleft Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Professor Michel I

FEBRUARY 10, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter to Emory University regarding the Mohammad for exercising her right to fre

Our letter expressing concern about the suspension of Umaymah School of Medicine, for a statement that she made during a medicode of conduct.

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- © Emory University, Umaymah Mohammad

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JANUARY 28, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter to the Columbia University Sena Office of Institutional Equity's treatme

Our letter expressing concern about the flawed disciplinary circumstances surrounding her "retirement."

- **≣** Interventions
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- Columbia University, Dr. Katherine Franke

DECEMBER 16, 2024 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter to New York University regarding i toward faculty and students

Our letter expressing concern about recent actions that have exa

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- ⊕ us
- New York University

NOVEMBER 26, 2024 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter to the Interim President of Cornell of an approved course proposal

Our letter expressing concern about the negative comments rece Dr. Eric Cheyfitz

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- Cornell University, Dr. Eric Cheyfitz

DECEMBER 12, 2024 - COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Response from Cornell to our 26 Nover

The Committee on Academic Freedom received a response futo our 26 November letter regarding a course proposal devel

- Responses
- ⊕ US
- Cornell University, Dr. Eric Cheyfitz

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NOVEMBER 20, 2024 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter regarding the latest trial and sentencing of Dr. Nasser bin Ghaith

Our letter protesting the latest trial of Dr. Nasser bin Ghaith, who has already spent 11 years in prison and his sentencing to life in prison on dubious charges of "establishing and managing a clandestine terrorist organization," as well as decrying his mistreatment in prison.

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Or. Nasser bin Ghaith

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Task Force on Civil and Human Rights

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The Task Force on Civil and Human Rights pays close attention to the legal and political landscape and monitors shifts that may negatively affect our members. It tracks official rhetoric that targets Muslim and Middle Eastern communities and the reported harassment of Muslim and Middle Eastern students and faculty. It is attentive to the ways in which immigration law and the proposed registry program that targets Muslims may pose challenges to Muslim and Middle Eastern communities, and students and researchers working on the Middle East. It serves as a vehicle to monitor such developments and devises ways for MESA to respond effectively to the federal administration and its policies.

Recent Work

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MAY 13, 2025 · TASK FORCE ON CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Launching MESA's Academic Freedom

MESA has been building out the Academic Freedom Initiativ identify and track trends regarding academic freedom and r datasets focus on recent immigration actions affecting high university employees since October 2023.

- **≣** Resources
- ⊕ us
- Academic Freedom Initiative

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FEBRUARY 07, 2025 · TASK FORCE ON CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHT

MESA Advocacy Resource Center

MESA's Task Force has created a new advocacy resource center for repression of rights on campuses across North America and beyo

- **≣** Resources
- ⊕ Canada, North America, US

FEBRUARY 15, 2024 · TASK FORCE ON CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHT

Documenting Shifts in Campus Climate in

Form for Reporting Changes in Campus Climate and Incidents of America

- **≡** Resources
- (Canada, North America, US

MARCH 10, 2025 · TASK FORCE ON CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGH

Advisory on Recent Trump Administra Pending Policies

Recommendations regarding recent and ongoing travel restrictions by from political accounts.

- □ Updates, Resources
- travel restriction

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SEPTEMBER 25, 2020 · TASK FORCE ON CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGH

Memo on the Circumstances of the Arrest Materials Scientist Dr. Sirous Asgari

The Middle East Studies Association Task Force on Civil and Hum join together in expressing our shock and outrage at reports con scientist Dr. Sirous Asgari.

≣ Interventions

Iran, US

SEPTEMBER 29, 2020 · TASK FORCE ON CIVIL AND HUMAN I

Statement on DHS Proposed Rule Impo

The MESA Task Force on Civil and Human Rights calls on DH deprive international students of lawful status for the durat students from much of the developing world to two-year visas insufficient even for undergraduate study. The administration's proposed regulation would effectively mean that the United States no longer welcomes international students. If this rule were to go into effect, students from much of the world would face severe disincentives in considering degree programs in the U.S. Such actions would inflict broad harm on the intellectual life and economic viability of American universities, future generations of students, and the sectors of the economy that require highly qualified researchers and professionals.

∃Interventions

⊕ US

ODHS, travel restriction, US, visa

JANUARY 28, 2020 \cdot TASK FORCE ON CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Traveling across borders: short guides to

Short guides to expectations of privacy and rights when cross

Resources

border crossings, digital privacy

FEBRUARY 04, 2020 · TASK FORCE ON CIVIL AND HUMAN RI

TFCHR announces a study of visa and c

MESA's Task Force on Civil and Human Rights notes with conparticularly from Iran, with valid visas, as well as reports of of the issues of visa cancelation, border denials, and deporta North Africa. We are seeking information to better document MENA region to the US for academic purposes. Please contact information regarding these issues.

∃Interventions

JUNE 04, 2019 \cdot TASK FORCE ON CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Memo on OFAC Compliance for Academic

This memo offers basic guidance for those seeking to conduct acasanctions (notably, Iran, Sudan and Syria).

Iran, Sudan, Syria

licensing guidelines, OFAC, sanctions

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(Iran, Iraq, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, US, Yemen

border crossings, Muslim ban, travel ban

JUNE 27, 2017 · TASK FORCE ON CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Memo on Impact of Supreme Court Decisi

Task Force for Civil and Human Rights Memo on June 26, 2017 U.:

Iran, Iraq, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, Yemen

TRAP v. Trump, MESA Lawsuit, Muslim ban

NOVEMBER 20, 2019 · TASK FORCE ON CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Memo on Public Records Harassment and Defense

This memo offers preliminary guidance for those facing overly broad public records requests, particularly when public records laws are abused for the purposes of harassment and intimidation of scholars or centers for idealogical reasons. Please contact tfchr@mesana.org for more information.

Resources

⊕ US

FOIA, open records, public records

JANUARY 29, 2017 · TASK FORCE ON CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Memo on Executive Order to Limit Entry (Immigrants

President Donald J. Trump signed an Executive Order on January admission and vetting of non-citizens to the United States.

Iran, Iraq, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, Yemen

ACLU, IRAP v. Trump, MESA Lawsuit, Muslim ban

JULY 20, 2018 · TASK FORCE ON CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Memo on US Supreme Court Decision on IRAP v. Trump upholding September 24, 2017 Presidential Proclamation of Travel Ban

On June 26, 2018, the United States Supreme Court issued an opinion upholding President Trump's third Muslim Ban. MESA continues to believe that the travel ban is at odds with fundamental principles upheld by the scholarly community including non-discrimination and a commitment to the free exchange of ideas. MESA will continue to take proactive steps to mitigate the adverse impact of the travel ban on research collaborations, scholarly activities and the students in our community.

Iran, Iraq, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, Yemen

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🗸 IRAP v. Trump, MESA Lawsuit, Muslim ban, travel ban

MARCH 08, 2017 · TASK FORCE ON CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Memo on Executive Order to Restrict Entry of Individuals from Designated Middle Eastern Countries

On Monday, March 6, 2017, President Donald J. Trump signed a new Executive Order (EO) that restricts entry into the United States for 90 days for all nationals of Iran, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, and Yemen.

- # Iran, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, Yemen
- 🗸 IRAP v. Trump, MESA Lawsuit, Muslim ban, travel ban

Letters from The Board

Letters and Statements from the Board



JUNE 26, 2025 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE BOA

MESA Board Joint Letter with CAF to U

MESA expresses grave concern regarding the University of U understanding (MOU) with Ariel University, located in the il Bank. The University of Utah has become the first American deal with Ariel University, the establishment of which const agreement is also in violation of international law, and come repression of Palestinian universities in the West Bank and i Gaza.

- **≡** Interventions
- ⊕ us
- Ariel University, University of Utah

JUNE 16, 2025 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Advisory on Travel Ban and Annual Meeti MESA Board of Directors and the Task Fol

Joint statement from the MESA Board and Task Force regarding t response.

≣ Interventions

APRIL 11, 2025 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE BOARD

MESA Board Joint Statement with the TF(

The MESA Board of Directors and its Task Force on Civil and Hun administration's targeting of noncitizen students and researcher advocacy. We call on our members and colleagues to ask their un of steps to ensure that they are protecting their campus commun

≡ Interventions, Resources

⊕ US

AAUP v. Rubio

APRIL 28, 2025 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE BOA

MESA Board Joint Statement with the

The MESA Board of Directors and its Task Force on Civil and recognize the Trump administration's reversal of the unlaw: students and scholars in recent weeks. We urge campus administrations to immediately inform their communities and recent alumni that international students and scholars remain legally entitled to stay in the United States. Termination of a SEVIS record does not affect a student's lawful status inside the U.S.

⊕ US

Letters from The Board

MARCH 13, 2025 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE BOARD

MESA Board Statement on the repression States

In the current national climate, as institutions of higher educatic unprecedented attack, MESA unequivocally supports efforts to st and institutional autonomy. Rather than facilitating or acting in take a collective stance to defend higher education in the United

≡ Interventions

⊕ US

MARCH 28, 2025 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE BO

Joint Statement regarding Columbia U. Education

MESA and the undersigned associations condemn the actions taken in the past weeks at Columbia University and the Department of Education, which imperil the autonomy of centers for regional study at universities across the United States and the future of area studies as a domain of scholarship and research in American higher education.

≣ Interventions

⊕ US

SEPTEMBER 12, 2024 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE

MESA Board Joint Letter With CAF conder education sector in Gaza

The Board of Directors of the Middle East Studies Association and condemn the government of Israel's brutal military campaign ag upon its immediate cessation. This letter focuses on the decimati the military's killing of students, faculty, and staff and its targete related facilities. We are especially concerned to underscore the and affiliation as many of the murdered Gazan scholars as is poss

≣ Interventions

Palestine/Israel

JANUARY 17, 2025 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE

MESA Board Joint Statement with CAF Military Campaign on Education in Lel

The MESA Board of Directors and its Committee on Academi interruption of education and the damage to Lebanese education

campaign which began in September 2024. The attacks in Lebanon, including on educational facilities and their environs, are direct infringements on the right to education as well as on academic freedom. We express solidarity with our colleagues in Lebanon and urge international organizations to support Lebanese institutions as they resume their important activities and rebuild their sector.

Interventions

⊕ Lebanon

Letters from The Board

JULY 29, 2024 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Endorsement of SEMOMM statement rega

Our statement endorsing SEMOMM regarding the recent arrest a François Burgat.

≣ Interventions

⊕ Europe

♂ François Burgat, SEMOMM

SEPTEMBER 10, 2024 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM TH

Joint Letter to Iranian Authorities from

The Committees on Academic Freedom of the British Society for Middle Eastern Studies (BRISMES), the Italian Society for Middle East Studies (SeSaMO), and the Middle East Studies Association of North America (MESA) have written a statement to express concern about the persistent violations of academic freedom, including freedom of research and teaching, and freedom of expression in Iran over the past two years.

E Interventions

∰ Iran

APRIL 24, 2024 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE BOARD

MESA Board Joint Statement with CAF corprotest on campuses

The MESA Board of Directors and its Committee on Academic Fre repress, and criminalize campus protests against the ongoing Isr college and university boards of trustees, presidents, and admini forcefully recommit themselves to the freedom of inquiry, expre the US academy for decades.

 \equiv Interventions

Morth America, US

MAY 06, 2024 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE BOARD

MESA Board Joint Statement with CAF updating and responding to campus repression

The Board of Directors of the Middle East Studies Association and its Committee on Academic Freedom decry in the strongest of terms the growing number of cases of colleges and universities calling on police to repress campus protests against the ongoing genocide in Gaza. We also deplore actions and statements from officials that seek to delegitimize student and faculty activists and their criticism of the war.

⊕ US

Letters from The Board

DECEMBER 18, 2023 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE BO

Open Letter to US and Canadian College

MESA's Board of Directors and Committee on Academic Freedom throughout North America to redouble efforts to protect the free members of their campus communities.

≣ Interventions

Canada, North America, US

MARCH 11, 2024 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE BOARD

MESA Board Joint Statement with CAF regarding the ongoing genocidal violence against the Palestinian people and their cultural heritage in Gaza

The Board of Directors of the Middle East Studies Association and its Committee on Academic Freedom condemn in the strongest possible terms the ongoing attack on Gaza by the state of Israel, resulting in the widespread destruction of the built environment and civilian infrastructure of the Gaza Strip with the apparent intention of erasing Palestinian heritage, thereby amounting to cultural genocide.

■ Interventions

Palestine/Israel, US

OCTOBER 16, 2023 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE BOA

MESA Board Statement on Palestine and

The MESA Board of Directors is heartbroken by the loss of Israen no justification for the targeting of civilians. We join our member committed to a political solution that offers safety, dignity, and concerned about the cumulative effect of the Israeli siege and bo displacement and destruction — including the bombing of school things, the possibility of access to education for generations of G and ability of students, faculty, and staff at universities across No viewpoints free of harassment, intimidation, and threats to their leaders and administrations to oppose all forms of discrimination Semitism, and to affirmatively assert and protect the right to aca campuses.

Interventions

@ Canada, Europe, North America, Palestine/Israel, US

NOVEMBER 21, 2023 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM TH

MESA Board Letter to Biden Administration on Ceasefire in Gaza

Letter on behalf of the Middle East Studies Association of North America calling on the Biden administration to support an immediate, unconditional, and permanent ceasefire in — and lifting of the siege on — Gaza.

Interventions

⊕ Palestine/Israel, US

Letters from The Board

SEPTEMBER 28, 2023 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM TH

Joint letter from BRISMES, SeSaMO and regarding Khaled El Qaisi

The Italian Society for Middle East Studies (SeSaMO), the Bri Middle East Studies Association of North America (MESA) ha Palestinian student Khaled El Qaisi. SeSaMO, BRISMES and wensure his immediate release.

= Interventions

⊕ Palestine/Israel

JULY 17, 2023 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE BOARD

ACLS Statement on SCOTUS Ruling on Aff

MESA has endorsed a statement from the ACLS emphasizing a coeducation, after the Supreme Court of the United States recently colleges and universities.

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MARCH 09, 2023 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE BOARD

ACLS Statement Regarding the Effort to U Florida House Bill 999

MESA has endorsed a statement from the ACLS regarding a new l is a frontal attack on the principles of academic freedom. If it pas state's public colleges and universities, with dire consequences for

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APRIL 25, 2023 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE BO

MESA Comment on proposed MENA US

In response to a Notice by the Office of Management and Bu-Ethnicity Statistical Standards, MESA submitted a formal con Middle Eastern and North African (MENA) category as a che-

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MARCH 06, 2023 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE BI

AAUP statement regarding Florida bill as we know it

MESA has endorsed a statement from the AAUP regarding Fl and to academic freedom.

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FEBRUARY 10, 2023 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE BOX

ACLS Statement in Support of Academic F

MESA has endorsed a statement from the ACLS in support of the at other institutions of higher education experiencing similar po

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DECEMBER 09, 2022 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM TH

MESA Board Statement in support of p

The Board of Directors of the Middle East Studies Association Iranian government repression of protests. Pursuant to our and teaching as well as defending academic freedom and the Iranian students, teachers, and scholars who have been riski government's policies. We express our solidarity with our Ir

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∰ Iran

OCTOBER 05, 2022 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE E

Joint Statement from the Association for support of protests at Sharif University of

MESA and the Association for Iranian Studies have issued a joint students and professors at Sharif University of Technology in Tel of the academic rights of university students and professors. We assaults on university campuses and communities. We call for a finformation regarding the fates of those killed, injured, missing,

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⊕ Iran

Letters from The Board

OCTOBER 04, 2022 · LETTERS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Statement in solidarity with the Iranian academics' petition in response to the unfolding events in Iran

MESA has endorsed a statement by the Association for Iranian Studies and its Committee on Academic Freedom expressing solidarity with the Iranian academics who have signed a petition in response to the unfolding events in Iran. The petition stresses the right of Iranian women to freely choose their own dress code; calls for abolishing the morality police; and supports the protection of citizenship rights for all Iranians.

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All Resources and Opportunities

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JUNE 23, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Digital Content Associate, MESA Acade

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The Middle East Studies Association (MESA) is seeking a part Freedom Initiative.

Employment

JULY 02, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Call for Applications: 2026-27 Membershi School of Historical Studies

Institute for Advanced Study - School of Historical Studies

The Institute for Advanced Study School of Historical Studies inv

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JULY 02, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Assistant Professor in the history of Aı

Khayrallah Center/North Carolina State University

The Department of History and the Khayrallah Center for Le invite applications to fill the Akram Khater Distinguished Pr for a tenure-track appointment at the rank of Assistant Prof Diaspora, beginning August 2026.

Employment

JULY 01, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Ethnographic Experiments from and with

Doha Institute for Graduate Studies

Submit your paper for the Ethnographic Experiments from and v Institute for Graduate Studies December 15-16.

≡ Calls for Submissions

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JUNE 22, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

= Calls for Submissions, Conferences

CFP: NAAIMS Webinar Conference on "Isl abstracts due July 11)

North American Association of Islamic and Muslim Studies

The 54th Annual Conference "Islam and AI: Challenges and oppor

JUNE 24, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Assistant, Associate or Full Professor i

The American University in Cairo

The Department of Sociology, Egyptology and Anthropology (SEA) invites applications for an Assistant or Associate Professor of Anthropology with expertise in either the Anthropology of Religion and/or the Anthropology of the Environment.

≡ Employment

JUNE 20, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Lecturer in Arabic

Ohio State University

The Department of Near Eastern and South Asian Languages and position (non-tenure track) in Arabic culture.

= Employment

JUNE 22, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Conference "Minority Law in Arab Stat

AGYA & Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law

The international conference "Minority Law in Arab States: Governing Religious Diversity" invites people to join them in Hamburg, July 14-15.

≘ Conferences

JUNE 04, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Assistant Professor in Political Science wi

The American University in Cairo

The Department of Political Science invites applicants for an assi emphasis on the Middle East starting Fall 2025.

≣ Employment

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JUNE 11, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Symposium "Islamic Law in Comparative Perspectives: Milestones, Methods, and Epistemologies" in honour of Professor Nadjma Yassari

Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law

This event will celebrate the extensive and influential research of Professor Nadjma Yassari (Director of the Swiss Institute of Comparative Law) on Islamic law and the field of comparative law.

= Conferences

MAY 20, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Arab Graduate Students Conference 2026

Arab Center for Research & Policy Studies

The Center invites applications for its Fifth Conference for Araba from 11-13 April 2026, at the Arab Center premises in Doha, Qata

= Conferences

MAY 27, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

International Winter School 2026: Call for Applications

The Arab Center for Research and Policy Studies

ACRPS invites applications for the seventh International Wir Paradigm Shift or a Passing Trend?" in Doha, Qatar.

= Calls for Submissions

MAY 19, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

CfP Symposium: Literature, Care, and the and North Africa

Utrecht University

Southwest Asian and North African Literatures Network invite al

\(\) Calls for Submissions

MAY 19, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

LEO Lecturer I - Arabic Language

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University of Michigan Middle East Studies

The College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and the Dep Lecturer I in Arabic Language for the Fall 2025 Term.

Employment

APRIL 29, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

CFP: NAAIMS Webinar Conference on "Isı abstracts due July 11)

North American Association of Islamic and Muslim Studies

NAAIMS invites abstract submissions for a fall conference on "Isl conference will be held online on Nov. 20th.

≡ Calls for Submissions

MAY 07, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Filling the Power Vacuum? China's Engagement with the Middle East

National University of Singapore

The Middle East Institute invites people to a Book Talk by Dr. Zhang Chuchu on her new book China's Changing Role in the Middle East: Filling a Power Vacuum? held via Zoom.

APRIL 21, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

The Contemporary Iranian Studies Confer

University of Tehran

The Conference invite panel proposals and abstract submissions general categories of politics, sociology, culture and economics a

≡ Calls for Submissions, Conferences

APRIL 22, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

CFP: Conference on Global Iranian Diaspora Studies (May 2026)

Elahé Omidyar Mir-Djalali Institute of Iranian Studies

The Conference on Global Iranian Diaspora Studies invite individual papers, pre-organized panels, and creative submissions that engage with the conference topics.

≧ Calls for Submissions, Conferences

APRIL 10, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

CAHE Day of Action

Coalition For Action In Higher Ed (CAHE)

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APRIL 10, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Freedom of Speech, Trump and Campu Suri

Alwaleed Center for Muslim-Christian Understanding (ACMC

Join the panel discussion on April 14 at 4pm in the HFSC Soc.

= Virtual Events

MARCH 19, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

CfP: Mainstreaming the Margins and Mar Contemporary Egyptian Culture

CEDEJ & American University in Cairo

The conference invites scholars and practitioners of contempora proposals.

≡ Calls for Submissions

MARCH 21, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Trump's Immigration Actions: What to AAUP and MESA

The American Association of University Professors is organi: event is cosponsored by MESA.

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MARCH 17, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

CfP - Within and Beyond Islam. Stories an in Italy

Occhiali – Rivista sul Mediterraneo islamico

This call for papers seeks to gather research focused on the youn stories and experiences related to both commitment and disenga places of worship.

≡ Calls for Submissions

MARCH 19, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Death Time and the Politics of Queer Feminist Pedagogy, Study, and Knowledge Production

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SOAS, University of London

The workshop organised by the Centre for Gender Studies invites abstract submissions

= Calls for Submissions

MARCH 13, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

A short course on Governing Diversity: Engaging with a Complex World

The Aga Khan University (International) in the United Kingdom

In collaboration with the Ismaili Centre and the Aga Khan Museum, The Aga Khan University is offering a face-to-face short course in Canada on Governing Diversity: Engaging with a Complex World.

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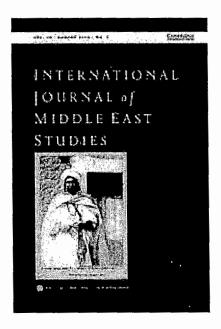
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JUNE 10, 2025 · NEWS

MESA Files Amicus Brief in Harvard La Cuts

MESA has filed an amicus curiae brief in support of Harvard administration's funding cuts.

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APRIL 29, 2025 · NEWS

Federal Court Says First Amendment Bars Students and Faculty on Basis of Political Trump Policy Can Go Forward

A federal judge has ruled that the case of AAUP v. Rubio can mov ideological-deportation policy violates the First Amendment by t Americans have a right to hear and engage with.

⊕ US

AAUP v. Rubio

APRIL 01, 2025 · NEWS

Knight Institute Asks Court to Block Trump Policy of Deporting Students and Faculty for Lawful Speech: AAUP and Middle East Studies Association say policy clearly violates the First Amendment

The American Association of University Professors (AAUP) and the Middle East Studies Association (MESA) today filed a motion for a preliminary injunction in their lawsuit seeking scale arrests, detentions, and deportations of noncitizen stu-Palestinian protests and other protected First Amendment a

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AAUP v. Rubio

MARCH 25, 2025 · NEWS

MESA, AAUP, and Knight Institute file law arresting and threatening deportation for

The Middle East Studies Association (MESA) and the American As lawsuit seeking to block the Trump administration from carrying of noncitizen students and faculty members who participate in p Amendment activities.

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AAUP v. Rubio

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OCTOBER 17, 2024 · NEWS

MESA Announces new Academic Freedom Initiative

MESA's Academic Freedom Initiative will support data collec regarding academic freedom in the context of scholarship at

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MESA Moves DC Headquarters to CCAS at

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Georgetown University's Center for Contemporary Arab Studies'

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NOVEMBER 16, 2023 · NEWS

Middle East Scholars Announce 2023 A

The 2023 MESA Academic Freedom Award has been goes to F and steadfastness in the face of more than a decade of repre:

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⊕ Bahrain

🗸 Academic Freedom, Committee on Academic Freedom, Dr

NOVEMBER 14, 2023 · NEWS

MESA Announces 2023 Award Recipients

On November 3, 2023, MESA awarded 21 individuals for excellence

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DECEMBER 03, 2022 · NEWS

MESA Announces 2022 Award Recipients

On December 2, 2022, MESA awarded 17 individuals for excelled Palestinian NGO's for their decades-long pursuit of academic free field of Middle East Studies.

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DECEMBER 04, 2022 · NEWS

Middle East Scholars Announce 2022 A

The 2022 MESA Academic Freedom Award has been given to a raiestiman 1900s — Addameer, Al-Hay, Disan Center for Research and Development, Defense for Children International - Palestine, Union of Palestinian Women's Committees, and the Union of Agricultural Work Committees — for their decades-long pursuit of academic freedom, courageous resilience, and contributions to the field of Middle East Studies.

- ## Palestine/Israel
- Academic Freedom, Committee on Academic Freedom

DECEMBER 01, 2021 · NEWS

Middle East Scholars give 2021 Academic students, and alumni of Boğaziçi Universi

The 2021 MESA Academic Freedom Award has been given to the: University.

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- Academic Freedom, Awards

MARCH 23, 2022 · NEWS

Middle East Scholars Vote to Endorse BDS

The membership of MESA has voted in favor of a resolution endorsing the Palestinian call for boycotts, divestment, and sanctions of Israel as a way to hold the government accountable for ongoing human rights violations. MESA's Board of Directors will implement it in a manner consistent with MES laws. The resolution states that the boycott will not target in individual MESA members to choose whether or not they wi-

institutions.

Morth America, Palestine/Israel, US

OCTOBER 15, 2020 · NEWS

2020 Academic Freedom Award Goes to Di

Fourteen individuals in nine categories including the Academic F awards, were honored at MESA's 2020 Awards Ceremony held Oc

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DECEMBER 01, 2021 · NEWS

MESA Announces 2021 Award Recipien

On December 1, 2021, MESA awarded 20 individuals for excel students, and alumni of Boğaziçi University for defending ac

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SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 · NEWS

Press Release: MESA virtual conference to

Press release regarding MESA's first virtual conference (#MESA20

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- annual meeting, program

OCTOBER 11, 2020 · NEWS

MESA Announces 2020 Award Recipien

MESA awarded 14 individuals for excellence in scholarship, ι October 11, 2020.

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- Awards

NOVEMBER 14, 2019 · NEWS

Press release concerning the protection of

At its 53rd annual meeting in New Orleans, MESA's Board of Diacademic freedoms.

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NOVEMBER 20, 2019 · NEWS

Middle East Scholars Give 2019 Acaden

The 2019 MESA Academic Freedom Award has been given to University.

Press Releases

MAY 03, 2019 · NEWS

Press Release on new ruling in Muslim Ba

A federal court in Maryland has rejected the Trump administratichallenging the president's Muslim ban executive order that bar: traveling to the United States.

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ACLU, IRAP v. Trump, Muslim ban

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SEPTEMBER 12, 2019 · NEWS

Press Release on foreign academics working restrictions in Palestine

MESA and other scholarly organizations have written to Isra permits for international academics working in Palestine.

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Palestine/Israel

NOVEMBER 16, 2018 · NEWS

MESA Announces 2018 Award Recipients

MESA awarded 12 individuals for excellence in scholarship, ment November 16, 2018.

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NOVEMBER 17, 2018 · NEWS

Middle East Scholars Give Academic Fr Writer, and Women's Rights Advocate,

2018 MESA Academic Freedom Award given to Saudi scholar Fassi

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Hatoon al-Fassi

NOVEMBER 15, 2018 · NEWS

Press Release on Deteriorating Security C United Arab Emirates

At its 52nd annual meeting, MESA's Board of Directors issued a st conditions for researchers in the United Arab Emirates.

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Press Release on Affirmation of Commitment to Fight Antisemitism as a Form of Racism

At its 52nd annual meeting in San Antonio, MESA's Board of Directors issued a statement affirming commitment to fight Antisemitism as a form of racism.

APRIL 18, 2018 · NEWS

Press Release on Creation of Resource Guide to Counteract Dangerous Risk of Canary Mission Website

Press release from MESA's Committee on Academic Freedom: "Committee on Academic Freedom Shines Light on Secretive Website that Defames Students; Offers Resource for College Leaders to Take Action

- Press Releases
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The Middle East Studies Association (MESA) is seeking a part Freedom Initiative.

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MAY 13, 2025 · TASK FORCE ON CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Launching MESA's Academic Freedom Ini

MESA has been building out the Academic Freedom Initiative (AF identify and track trends regarding academic freedom and repre datasets focus on recent immigration actions affecting higher ed university employees since October 2023.

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- Academic Freedom Initiative

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FEBRUARY 07, 2025 - TASK FORCE ON CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS

MESA Advocacy Resource Center

MESA's Task Force has created a new advocacy resource centepression of rights on campuses across North America and

- Resources
- Canada, North America, US

JULY 02, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Call for Applications: 2026-27 Membershi School of Historical Studies

Institute for Advanced Study - School of Historical Studies

The Institute for Advanced Study School of Historical Studies inv

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Assistant Professor in the history of Arab Migration, Mobility and Diaspora

Khayrallah Center/North Carolina State University

The Department of History and the Khayrallah Center for Le invite applications to fill the Akram Khater Distinguished Pr for a tenure-track appointment at the rank of Assistant Prof Diaspora, beginning August 2026.

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JULY 01, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Ethnographic Experiments from and with

Doha Institute for Graduate Studies

Submit your paper for the Ethnographic Experiments from and v Institute for Graduate Studies December 15-16.

≡ Calls for Submissions

(1) Qatar

JUNE 30, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter expressing alarm regarding the Ahmadreza Djalali, Iranian-Swedish sc

Our letter expressing alarm regarding the imminent risk of death row in Iran and joining global academic & human righ

= Interventions

⊕ Iran

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JUNE 24, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Assistant, Associate or Full Professor in A

The American University in Cairo

The Department of Sociology, Egyptology and Anthropology (SEA Professor of Anthropology with expertise in either the Anthropo Environment.

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JUNE 23, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter to protest the intensification of sector in the occupied West Bank

Our letter vigorously condemning the ongoing and intensify West Bank. We call upon various international bodies as well continue their education unimpeded and their universities t

- **≣** Interventions
- ⊕ Palestine/Israel

CFP: NAAIMS Webinar Conference on "Isl abstracts due July 11)

North American Association of Islamic and Muslim Studies

The 54th Annual Conference "Islam and AI: Challenges and oppor

≡ Calls for Submissions, Conferences

JUNE 20, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter to San José State University regard Sang Hea Kil

Our letter expressing concern at the decision of the San José Stat employment of Professor Sang Hea Kil, a tenured member of the of university time, manner and place rules.

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Professor Sang Hea Kil, San José State University

JUNE 22, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Conference "Minority Law in Arab Stat

AGYA & Max Planck Institute for Comparative and Internation

The international conference "Minority Law in Arab States: Governing Religious Diversity" invites people to join them in Hamburg, July 14-15.

≡ Conferences

JUNE 16, 2025 · NEWS

In Memoriam, Peter Chelkowski (1933-20:

MESA mourns the passing of Dr. Peter J. Chelkowski on October 2

■ Member Acknowledgments

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Lecturer in Arabic

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Ohio State University

The Department of Near Eastern and South Asian Languages position (non-tenure track) in Arabic culture.

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JUNE 11, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Symposium "Islamic Law in Comparative and Epistemologies" in honour of Profess

Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private I

This event will celebrate the extensive and influential research o Institute of Comparative Law) on Islamic law and the field of com

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≡ Conferences

Problem Areas, Disciplinary Boundarie Formative Period

Ghent University

The ERC-project KNOW: Polymathy and Interdisciplinarity in Premodern Islamic Epistemic Cultures (1200-1800) invites abstract submissions for its first international workshop to be held at Ghent University on 2-4 June 2026.

Europe

JUNE 04, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Assistant Professor in Political Science wi

The American University in Cairo

The Department of Political Science invites applicants for an assi emphasis on the Middle East starting Fall 2025.

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JUNE 10, 2025 · NEWS

MESA Files Amicus Brief in Harvard La Cuts

MESA has filed an amicus curiae brief in support of Harvard administration's funding cuts.

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MAY 27, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

International Winter School 2026: Call for

The Arab Center for Research and Policy Studies

ACRPS invites applications for the seventh International Winter Paradigm Shift or a Passing Trend?" in Doha, Qatar.

≡ Calls for Submissions

MAY 27, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter to George Washington Universit actions against graduating senior Cecil made about Palestine during her comn

Our letter expressing concern about the decision of the administration of the George washington University to bail graduating senior Cecilia Culver from campus and threaten to investigate her for possible student conduct code violations.

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George Washington University

MAY 19, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter to New York University concerning degree of graduating senior Logan Rozos proceedings against him

Our letter expressing concern about the decision of NYU to with! subject him to disciplinary action because of remarks he made at ceremony of the Gallatin School of Individualized Study

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New York University

MAY 20, 2025 · RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Arab Graduate Students Conference 2026

Arab Center for Research & Policy Studies

The Center invites applications for its Fifth Conference for Arab Graduate Students in Western Universities to be held from 11-13 April 2026, at the Arab Center premises in Doha, Qatar.

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LEO Lecturer I - Arabic Language

University of Michigan Middle East Studies

The College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and the Dep Lecturer I in Arabic Language for the Fall 2025 Term.

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CfP Symposium: Literature, Care, and to and North Africa

Utrecht University

Southwest Asian and North African Literatures Network invite al

≡ Calls for Submissions

MAY 12, 2025 · COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Letter to Protest the Unjust Detention of Students Ali Younesi and Amirhossein Moradi for the Past Five Years

Our letter calling for the immediate and unconditional release of Iranian students Ali Younesi and Amirhossein Moradi, who were denied fair trials and have been unjustly imprisoned for five years on baseless charges and subjected to mistreatment. In addition, the letter urges President Pezeshkian to uphold his campaign promises by protecting students' rights and academic freedom. It also highlights the broader crackdown on students in Iran, especially following the 2022 "Woman, Life, Freedom" protests, during which thousands faced arrests, suspensions, and disciplinary actions.

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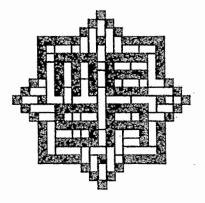
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MESA calls on the University of Utah to rescind its agreement with Ariel University, which was established in an illegal settlement in the occupied West Bank, in violation of international law. Read full statement here: mesana.org/advocacy/let...

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MESA expresses grave concern regarding the University of Utah's signing on 19 May 2025 of a ...

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MESA condemns the new travel ban. We remain committed to defending academic freedom and ensuring inclusive scholarly exchange. Read the full statement and the steps that we are taking response:

mesana.org/advocacy/let...

The MESA Board of Directors and Task Force on Civil and Human Rights condemn the Trump administration's travel ban (June 4, 2025), which restricts entry to the U.S. for nationals of 19 countries Some of the measures that we are taking impacted members: Offering accommodations for the 2025 MESA Annual Meeting for presenters from the affected countries Providing updated international travel guidance · Exploring the addition of a mid-year virtual research forum in 2026, in order to expand access and participation globally Holding the MESA 2027 Annual Meeting in Toronto, Canada

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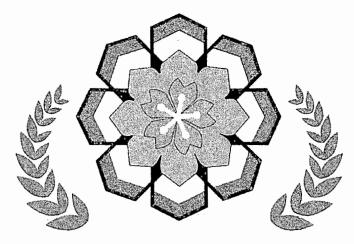
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Reminder to submit your narrative films, documentaries, and shorts (both fiction and nonfiction) to the 42nd virtual MESA FilmFest to showcase to an engaged academic audience of professors, students, and librarians! Submit here: mesana.org/annual-meeti...

MESA 42nd Annual Film Festival Deadline Approaching!



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Accepted films will be streamed exclusively to MESA Annual Meeting attendees, offering exposure to scholars who may use your work in courses or institutional collections.

Submission Deadline: June 15, 2025





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The newest issue of MESA's biannual newsletter, Issues in Middle East Studies, is out now!

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MESA's new initiative will identify trends regarding academic freedom and repression on campuses, with two initial projects on immigration actions affecting higher ed, and adverse employment outcomes. Learn more and join the fight to defend academic freedom here: mesana.org/advocacy/tas...

ACADEMIC FREEDOM INITIATIVE (AFI)

MESA has launched its Academic Freedom Initiative, funded by The Mellon Foundation, to identify and track trends regarding academic freedom and repression on campuses across North America. This includes threats to scholars, immigration enforcement, and employment retaliation. The initiative will also result in additional datasets and is in the process of compiling public resources.

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The MESA Board of Directors has issued a statement condemning unlawful visa revocations and intimidation targeting international students and scholars.

Read the full statement here: mesana.org/advocacy/let...

MESA BOARD JOINT STATEMENT WITH THE TFCHR REGARDING VISA REVOCATIONS

The MESA Board of Directors and its Task Force on Civil and Human Rights call on all U.S. universities and colleges to recognize the Trump administration's reversal of the unlawful mass visa revocations that have terrorized international students and scholars in recent weeks. We urge campus administrations to immediately inform their communities and recent alumni that international students and scholars remain legally entitled to stay in the United States. Termination of a SEVIS record does not affect a student's lawful status inside the U.S.

Steps for Universities and Colleges to Take:

- (1) Protect student personal information Refuse Title VI data requests
- 2 Avoid voluntary cooperation or information sharing with ICE
- 3 Reject EO 13899, Section 3 monitoring noncitizen students and staff
- (4) Maintain enrollment Even after visa revocation or detention
- (5) Enable remote study For impacted students when needed
- 6 Secure funding & appointments Protect graduate workers' status
- (7) Communicate clearly & quickly Notify students of SEVIS changes
- (8) Provide legal support Pay for counsel for visa challenges
- (9) Take legal action File suit to defend due process rights

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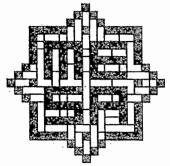
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@mesa1966.bsky.social condemns in the strongest terms the targeting of noncitizen students and researchers for their constitutionally protected speech and advocacy. We call on universities and colleges to take 9 steps to ensure the protection of their campus communities. mesana.org/advocacy/let...

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Join the CAHE Day of Action on April 17 with 90+ rallies, teach-ins & actions nationwide to stand up for higher education. Find an event near you: dayofactionforhighered.org



A National Day of Action for Higher Ed

On April 17, higher ed unions, AAUP chapters, and student organizations across the U.S. are coming ...

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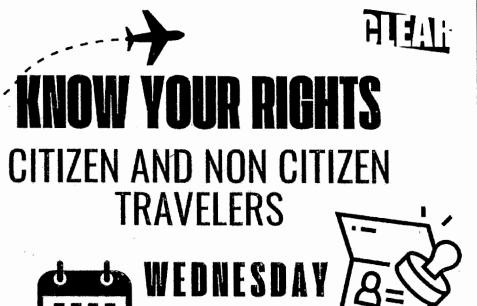
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Join the 'Know Your Rights while traveling' virtual workshop by the CLEAR Project on Wednesday, April 9 at 7:00 pm EST.

Register Here: bit.ly/CLEARKYR4925

Stay safe & informed! #KnowYourRights



7:00pm EST/ 6:00pm CST/ 4:00pm PST



RSVP: https://bit.ly/CLEARKYR4925

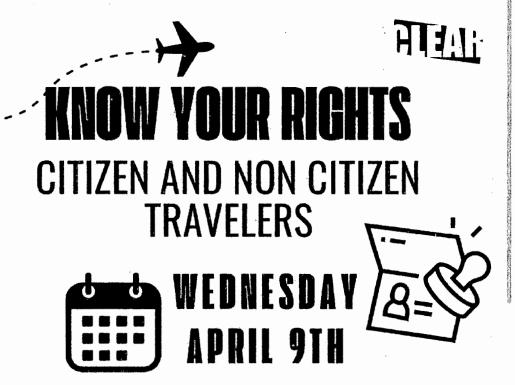


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The MESA Board of Directors and allied associations have released a statement condemning recent actions at Columbia University and the Department of Education. Read the full statement here: mesana.org/advocacy/let...





Joint Statement regarding Columbia University and the Department of Education

MESA and the undersigned associations condemn the actions taken in the past weeks at Columbia University and the Department of Education, which imperil the autonomy of centers for regional study at universities across the United States and the future of area studies as a domain of scholarship and research in American higher education.





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This morning, the Knight Institute filed a
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The MESA Task Force on Civil and Human Rights has issued an urgent advisory regarding recent and potential Trump Administration policies impacting higher education and immigration. Link to the full advisory: mesana.org/advocacy/tas...

MESA Task Force Advisory: Recent Trump Administration Policies & Media Reports

Reports indicate visa revocations and detentions targeting nonimmigrant viša holders and permanent residents, based on protected speech and associational activities

- Advocacy Resource Center Traveling Across Borders
- Interventions by MESA's Committee on Academic
- Letters and Statements from MESA's Board of

- A new travel ban, targeting mainly Muslim-majority countrie is reported to be implemented.
- Non-citizen members from potentially targeted countries should consider avoiding international travel, or returning
- entry may be more difficult citizens and non-citizens:

- These reported actions are being
- challenged: It may nevertheless be prudent to identify immigration lawyers in
- Utilize campus resources like lega clinics or the National Lawyer Guild, or local pro bono counse

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- Receive Issues in Middle East Studies (IMES), MESA's biannual newsletter, with updates on meetings and activities

Individual Membership Categories:

- Full Member (Voting): Fellow and Student
- Associate Member (Not voting)

‡Why become a member?☆

- Retired Membership
- Joint Membership (Partners)

How do I join MESA, renew my membership, or update my information?

Through myMESA, the system for MESA member membership annua meeting participation.

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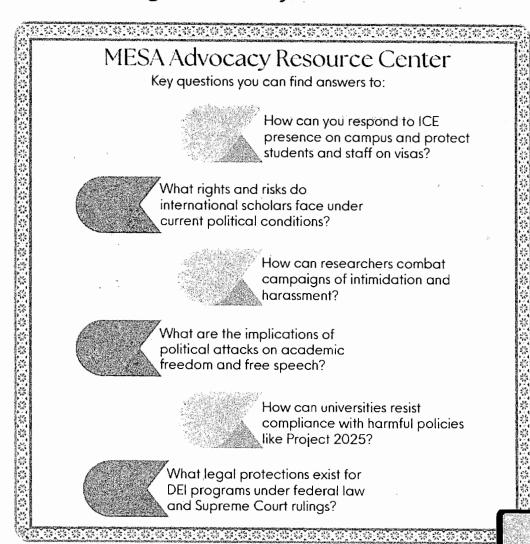
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The MESA Advocacy Resource Center was created to address growing challenges and threats to academia and scholars. Discover our tools and join us in standing up for academic freedom, inclusion, and justice.

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As higher education faces increasing attacks, being a MESA member means joining a movement that protects academia, educators, and students. Together, we can push back against these threats and make a real difference. Become a MESA member today! mesana.org/membership/b...

As a MESA member, you strengthen our community. Together, we are working to:

1 Preserve academic freedom

2 Promote cutting edge-scholarship in Middle East studies

3 Defend our colleagues

4 Advocate for the civil and human rights of our community

5 Honor the work and contributions of our fellow scholars

6 Advocate for funding for the field

7 Support the next generation of graduate students and early-career scholars

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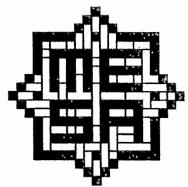
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Curriculum Vitae Cinzia Arruzza

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1999	Laurea in philosophy, 110/110 cum laude, University of Rome Tor Vergata.

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Ancient Greek Philosophy, Ancient Greek Political Thought, Plato, Plotinus, Socratic Circle.

AOC

Ancient Greek Literature and History, Political Philosophy, Feminist Philosophy, Marxism, Medieval Philosophy.

Languages

Fluent in English, French, and Italian (mother tongue). Excellent reading knowledge of Ancient Greek and Latin. Good knowledge of German and Spanish. Reading knowledge of Portuguese.

QUALIFICATIONS

Habilitation to Full Professor of History of Philosophy, Ministero dell'Istruzione, dell'Università e della Ricerca (MIUR), Italy.

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- 2011 'The Private and the Common in Plato's Republic', History of Political Thought, 32:2, pp. 215-233.
- 2011 'Passive potentiality in the physical realm: Plotinus' critique of Aristotle in Enneads II 5 [25], Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie, 1, pp. 24-57.
- 2009 'Le refus du bonheur. Négligence et chute dans la pensée d'Origène', Revue de Théologie et de Philosophie, 141, pp. 261-272.
- 2007 'La matière immatérielle chez Grégoire de Nysse', Freiburger Zeitschrift für Philosophie und Theologie, 54, pp. 215-223.
- 'Ordo e mediazione gerarchica nelle Expositiones in ierarchiam coelestem di 2003 Giovanni Scoto Eriugena', Studi medievali, IIIa S., XLIV: II, pp.117-145.

Political Theory

2020 (with Patrick King), "Class Struggle is not a Game." Daniel Bensard's Relational Conception of Class', Século XXI, 10:1, pp. 21-44.

2017	'Capitalism and the Conflict over Universality: A Feminist Perspective', Philosophy Today, 61:4.
2016	'Functionalist, Determinist, Reductionist: Social Reproduction Feminism and its Critics', Science & Society, 80:1, pp. 9-30.
2015	'Marx's Gendered Temporalities', Historical Materialism, 23:4, pp. 49-59.
2015	'Gender as Social Temporality: Butler (and Marx)', Historical Materialism, 23:1, pp. 28-52.
2015	'Genere e capitale: la critica marxiana dell'ecomia politica e il femminismo', <i>Iride</i> , 1, pp. 79-94.

Book chapters

Ancient Philosophy

- 'The Soul, Virtue, and Women's Nature in First-Generation Socratics', in Soul and Life. Psyche in Seminal Ancient Greek Thinkers, ed. by Marina Marren, Mercer University Press, Macon, pp. 75-97.
 - 'Tyranny and Shamelessness in Plato and Today', in Demokratie und Populismus in der grieschischen Antike und heute, ed. by Christoph Riedweg, Riccarda Schmid und Andreas Victor Walser, de Gruyter, Berlin, pp. 335-349.
- 2019 'Bad Lovers and Lovers of the Demos in Plato's Gorgias and Phaedrus', in Philosophie für die Polis. Akten des 5. internationalen Kongresses der Gesellschaft für Antike Philosophie in Zürich (6.–9. September 2016), ed. by Christoph Riedweg, de Gruyter, Berlin, pp. 203-220.
- 2019 (with Aaron Jaffe), 'Ancient Philosophy', in *The Bloomsbury Companion to Marx*, ed. by Jeff Diamanti, Andrew Pendakis and Imre Szeman, Bloomsbury, London, pp. 175-184.
- 2016 'Philosophical Dogs and Tyrannical Wolves in Plato's Republic', in Philosophy and Political Power in Antiquity, ed. by C. Arruzza and D. Nikulin, Brill, Leiden.
- 'Being True to One's Birth: What is *gennaion* in the Noble Falsehood of the *Republic*?', in *Plato Revived*, ed. by Filip Karfik and Euree Song, de Gruyter, Berlin, pp. 278-289.

Political Theory

- 2021 'Feminist Movements in a Pandemic World: Toward a New Class Politics', in Class and Redistribution, ed. by Farah Aksoy, Meagan Down, and Corina Oprea, L'Internationale Online, pp. 25-44 (www.internationaleonline.org).
- 2021 'Three Debates in Marxist Feminism', in The Sage Handbook of Marxism, ed. by Svenja Bromberg, Sara R. Farris, Beverley Skeggs, & Alberto Toscano, SAGE, London, Vol. 3, pp. 1354-1372.
- 2021 'Feminismo, clase y reproducción social', in Clase, proceso de trabajo y reproducción social: Ampliando las perspectivas de los estudios laborales, ed. by M. Atzeni, R. Elbert, C. Marticorena, J. Montero Bressan and J. Soul, Conice, Buenos Aires, pp. 228-240.
- 'Capitalism's Insidious Charm vs. Women's and Sexual Liberation', in 2017 Feminism, Capitalism, and Critique. Essays in Honor of Nancy Fraser, ed. by B. Bargu and C. Bottici, Palgrave McMillan, pp. 85-100.
- 2015 'Il genere del capitale. Introduzione al femminismo marxista', in Storia del marxismo. Vol 3: Economia, politica, cultura: Marx oggi, ed. by Stefano Petrucciani, Carocci editore, Roma.
- 'Of What is Anarcha-feminism the Name?', in The Anarchist Turn, ed. by 2013 Chiara Bottici, Jacob Blumenfeld and Simon Critchley, Pluto Press, London, pp. 111-123.
- 2012 "La femme est l'avenir du spectre"? Le genre, le capital, et le marxisme de Daniel Bensaïd', in Daniel Bensaïd, l'intempestif, ed. by François Sabado, Editions La Decouverte, Paris.
- 2008 (with Antonio Montefusco) 'Come perdere l'aureola. Vademecum per la ricerca precaria', in L'onda anomala. Alla ricerca dell'autopolitica, Edizioni Alegre, Roma.

Articles in non peer-reviewed journals

- 2018 'From Women's Strike to a New Class Movement: The Third Feminist Wave', Viewpoint Magazine: https://viewpointmag.com/2018/12/03/from-womensstrikes-to-a-new-class-movement-the-third-feminist-wave/ (translated several languages).
- 'Italy's Refusal', New Left Review, 103, pp. 117-127. 2017
- 2015 'Logic or History? The Political Stakes of Marxist Feminist Theory', Viewpoint Magazine: https://viewpointmag.com/2015/06/23/logic-or-historythe-political-stakes-of-marxist-feminist-theory/.

2014	'Remarks on Gender', Viewpoint Magazine:
	https://viewpointmag.com/2014/09/02/remarks-on-gender/ (translated into several languages).
2013	'The Authority of Reason: on John Scottus Eriugena's Periphyseon, I, 508C-513C', Glossator, 7.
2010	'Le temps du retour. Temporalité et apocatastase dans le <i>Perì Archôn</i> d'Origène', in <i>Acta Universitatis Palackianae Olomucensis, Theologica Olomucensia</i> , 10, pp. 69-78.
2010	'Vers une union queer de marxisme et féminisme?', in <i>Contretemps</i> , 6, pp. 89-100.
2009	(with Felice Mometti) 'Le berlusconisme et la transition autoritaire', in <i>Contretemps</i> , 4, pp. 91-99.

Edited journal issues

2020	(with Kelly Gawel), 'The Politics of Social Reproduction', Special Issue, CLC
	Web, Comparative Literature and Culture, 22:2.

- 2016 (with Patrick King), 'Symposium on Daniel Bensaïd', *Historical Materialism* 24:4.
- 2015 (with Christoph Horn, Dmitri Nikulin, and Emidio Spinelli), 'Hans Jonas: the Thinker of Antiquity and Modernity', Giornale Critico di Storia delle Idee, 14.

Edited volumes

- 2016 (with Dmitri Nikulin), *Philosophy and Political Power in Antiquity*, Brill, Leiden.
- 2008 Pensare con Marx, ripensare Marx. Teorie per il nostro tempo, Edizioni Alegre, Rome.

Book Reviews

'Josh Wilburn: The Political Soul. Plato on Thumos, Spirited Motivation, and the City. Oxford: Oxford UP 2021. XXVI, 340 S.', in *Gnomon*, 96, 5, pp 409-412.

'Taming Politics. Plato and the Democratic Roots of Tyrannical Man. By Ivan 2023 Jordović, Stuttgart: Steiner 2019, 236 S. (Studies in Ancient Monarchies, 5.), Gnomon, 95, 2, pp. 175-176. 'Dangerous Counsel. Accountability and Advice in Ancient Greece. By 2021 Matthew Landauer, Chicago: The University of Chicago Press, 2020', Polis 38: 2, pp. 336-339. 2020 'Plato as Critical Theorist. By Jonny Thakkar. Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 2018', Ancient Philosophy 40:1, pp. 217-221. 'Plotinus and Epicurus: Matter, Perception, Pleasure. Edited by Angela Longo 2017 and Daniela Patrizia Taormina. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2016', Ancient Philosophy, 37:2. 2016 'Andreas Bedke, Anthropologie als Mosaik. Die Aufnahme antiker Philosophie durch Gregor von Nyssa in seiner Schrift De hominis opificio, Münster: Aschendorff 2012', Gnomon, 88, pp. 171-173. 'James Wilberding and Christoph Horn (eds.), Neoplatonism and the 2014 Philosophy of Nature, Oxford: Oxford University Press 2012', Aestimatio: Critical Reviews in the History of Science, 11, pp. 253-259. 2014 'Kevin M. Cherry, Plato, Aristotle, and the Purpose of Politics, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press 2012', Ancient Philosophy, 34:2, pp. 432-436. 'Mario Vegetti, Un paradigma in cielo'. Platone politico da Aristotele al 2013 Novecento, Rome: Carocci, 2009, Historical Materialism, 21:1, pp. 185-195. 'Wilfried Kühn, Ouel savoir après le scepticisme? Plotin et ses prédécesseurs 2009

TRANSLATIONS

Philosophie, 3, pp 322-325.

- Translation from French of Eustache Kouvélakis, *Philosophie et Révolution.*De Kant à Marx, Presses Universitaires de France, Paris 2003 (Filosofia e rivoluzione. Da Kant a Marx, Edizioni Alegre, Roma).
- Translation from English of Slavoj Žižek, First as Tragedy, then as Farce, Verso, London 2009 (Dalla tragedia alla farsa, Ponte Alle Grazie, Milano).

Translation from English of Slavoj Žižek, *In Defense of Lost Causes*, Verso, London 2008 (*In difesa delle cause perse*, Ponte Alle Grazie, Milano).

sur la conscience de soi, Vrin, Paris 2009', Archiv für Geschichte der

2008	Translation from French of Georges Didi-Huberman, Co	e que nous vo	yons, ce
	qui nous regarde, Les Editions de Minuit, Paris 1992 (I	l gioco delle e	videnze,
	Fazi Editore, Roma).		•

Translation from French of Daniel Bensaïd, Marx l'intempestif, Editions Fayard, Paris 1995 (Marx l'intempestivo, Edizioni Alegre, Roma).

Translation from French of Daniel Bensaïd, Les trotskysmes, Presses Universitaires de France, Paris 2002 (Chi sono questi troskisti?, Edizioni Alegre, Roma).

ACADEMIC EXPERT POSITIONS

Membership in International Professional Associations and Editorial Boards

2025- 2024-	Member of the Advisory Council of Critical Antiquities Network. Member of the Scientific Board of Methexis.
2022-	Member of the Editorial Board of <i>Polity</i> , Journal of NPSA.
.2022-	Member of the Doctoral Collegium of Philosophy, University of Rome Tor Vergata.
2022	Member of the Board of the Centro studi dipartimentale "Marx e i marxismi", University of Padua.
2022 -	Member of the Scientific Committee of Archai: The Origins of Western Thought.
2021-	Member of the International Scientific Committee of the Centre for Critical Theory and Politics, Ca' Foscari University of Venice.
2016 -	Member of the Editorial Review Board of Theoria and Praxis: International Journal of Interdisciplinary Thought.
2015-	External Affiliate of the Centre for Philosophy and Critical Thought, Goldsmiths University of London.

Refereing and external assessments

Followehine	
Fellowships	

2020	Anonymous peer-reviewer, American Academy in Berlin Prize Fellowship.
2019	Anonymous peer-reviewer, American Academy in Berlin Prize Fellowship.

Academic journals

Ancient Philosophy; Apeiron; Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie; Classical Quarterly; Elenchos: rivista di studi sul pensiero antico; Hypatia: A Journal of Feminist Philosophy; Iride: Rivista di filosofia e di discussione pubblica; Journal of Hellenic Studies; Oxford Studies in Ancient Philosophy; Phronesis; Plato: Journal of the International Plato Society;

Methexis; Polis: The Journal for Ancient Greek and Roman Thought; Review of Metaphysics; The International Journal of the Platonic Tradition.

Publishers

Acumen; Bloomsbury; Oxford University Press; Pluto Press; Routledge; Verso Books.

SERVICE

Boston University

2024-2025:	Academic	Policy	Committee	of CAS
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Organization of the Faculty Work in Progress Meetings, Philosophy

Department.

Benedict Lectures Committee.

Organization of the Work in Progress Talks Series in Ancient Philosophy,

Philosophy Department.

BUGWU Implementation Working Group. 2025:

New School

2023-2024	NSSR Tenure Committee.
2022-2023	Organization of the Thursday Night Philosophy Colloquium, NSSR.
2020-2021	Vice-President of the New School AAUP chapter.
2018-2019	Chair of Search Committee, TT position in Critical Philosophy of Race,
	Philosophy Department, NSSR.
2018-2019	Co-chair of Search Committee, Onassis Lectureship in Ancient Greek Thought
	and Language, Philosophy Department, NSSR.
2018-2019	Chair of Graduate Admissions, Philosophy Department, NSSR.
2015-2017	Director of Undergraduate Studies, Philosophy Department, Eugene Lang
	College.
2015-2016	Member of Search Committee, Media and Culture Studies, Eugene Lang
	College.
2015	Co-chair of Search Committee, Onassis lectureship in Ancient Greek Thought
	and Language, Philosophy Department, NSSR.
2013-2015	Social Justice Committee, The New School.
2013-2014	Graduate Admissions Committee, Philosophy Department, NSSR.
2011-2013	Organization of the Thursday Night Philosophy Colloquium, NSSR.

Organization of international colloquia and symposia

2024	Plotinus Workshop, <i>Ennead 6.1.13-30</i> , Boston University, November 1-3.
2017	(with Paul Kottman) Marx, Arts, Politics. Contemporary Reflections, The New School for Social Research, May 4-5

2016	(with Chiara Bottici and Nancy Fraser) Feminism, Capitalism and Social Transformation, New School for Social Research, New York, April 21-22.
2014	(with Christoph Horn, Dmitri Nikulin, Emidio Spinelli) Hans Jonas und die Klassische Philosophie, Mönchengladbach, December 15-17.
2013	(with Dmitri Nikulin) Tyrants, Kings, Emperors, and Philosophers: Philosophy and Political Power in Antiquity, New School for Social Research, New York, May 10-11.
2010	(with Damian Caluori) Neoplatonic Epistemology and the Limits of Reason, panel at 2010 ISNS Madrid Conference.
2008	"Cosa vogliamo? Vogliamo tutto". Il Sessantotto quarant'anni dopo, II International Conference organized by Centro Studi Livio Maitan, Rome, January 31- February 1.
2007	Pensare con Marx, ripensare Marx, I International Conference organized by Centro Studi Livio Maitan, Rome, January 25-26.

SUPERVISION AND EXTERNAL EXAMINING

Supervision of Ph.D. Dissertations

<u>Defended</u>	
2025	Aaron Bernam, <i>The Inhumanity of Value</i> , The New School for Social Research, Philosophy Department.
2023	Pedro Mauricio Garcia Dotto, <i>Plato, Persuasion, and Psychagogy: An Interpretation of the Phaedrus</i> , The New School for Social Research, Philosophy Department.
	Kelly Gawel, Contradictions of Care. Violence and Revolution in Caring Relations, The New School for Social Research, Philosophy Department.
2021	Daniel Boscov Ellen, After the Flood. Political Philosophy in the Capitalocene, The New School for Social Research, Philosophy Department.
2019	Joshua Nicholas Pineda, Wolves in Sheep's Clothing: Theory and Critique in the Marxist and Post-Marxist Traditions, The New School for Social Research, Philosophy Department (awarded the NSSR prize for best dissertation in philosophy and sociology).
2018	Juniper Alcorn, Pregnancy is not a Choice: Toward a Feminist Philosophical

Critique of Sexual Reproduction, The New School for Social Research, Philosophy Department.

- 2015 Elizabeth Suergiu, The Philosopher's Mirror: Imitation and Image Making in Socratic Dialectic, The New School for Social Research, Philosophy Department.
- 2014 Aaron Jaffe, Alienation from "Species-Being" An Investigation of Marx's Philosophical Anthropology, The New School for Social Research, Philosophy Department (awarded the NSSR prize for best dissertation in philosophy and sociology).



External Examiner

René de Nicolay, The Origins of Licence: Excessive Freedom in Ancient 2022 Political Philosophy, Classics Department of Princeton University and Doctoral School 540 of Paris Sciences et Lettres University.

TEACHING

I have created and taught dozens of courses on philosophy and feminist and political theory on undergraduate and graduate levels at different universities.

Graduate Courses

Boston University

Plato's Republic, Spring 2025.

New School

Ideology, Spring 2024.

Plotinus, Fall 2023.

Plato and the Sophists, Spring 2023.

Socrates' Women, Fall 2022.

Socrates, Fall 2021.

Plato's Republic, Fall 2020.

Class, Gender and Race, Fall 2019.

Marx's Grundrisse and their Interpretation, Spring 2019.

Plato and the Sophists, Fall 2018.

Aristotle's Metaphysics Zeta and Theta, Spring 2017.

Eros, Madness, and Plato, Fall 2016.

Hellenistic Philosophy, Spring 2016.

Plato's Republic, Fall 2015.

Hellenistic Philosophy, Spring 2014.

Love, Madness and Plato, Fall 2013.

Plotinus, Fall 2012.

Church Fathers vs. Gnostics: Iraeneus, Tertullian, Origen, and Augustine, Spring 2012.

Reading Marx, Fall 2011.

Citizenship and Politics in Plato and Aristotle, Fall 2011.

The Holy Order: The Areopagite and Eriugena, Spring 2011.

Plato's Metaphysics, Fall 2010.

University of Bologna

Gender, Capitalism, and Social Reproduction, Senior Seminar in Global Humanities, Fall 2019.

University of Piemonte Orientale

Platone e i sofisti, Spring 2018.

University of Helsinki

Feminism and Capitalism, SKY doctoral course, September 2015.

University of Bonn

Platons Politeia, Spring 2010.

Undergraduate Courses

Boston University

History of Ancient Philosophy, Spring 2025.

History of Ancient Philosophy, Fall 2024.

New School

Socrates, Spring 2024.

Eros, Madness, and Plato, Fall 2023.

Aristotle's Ethics, Spring 2023.

Plato and the Sophists, Fall 2022.

Socrates, Fall 2021.

Eros, Madness and Plato, Spring 2021.

Eros, Madness and Plato, Spring 2020.

Aristotle's Ethics, Fall 2020.

Plato and the Sophists, Fall 2018.

Critical Social Thought, Spring 2017.

Feminism and Marxism, Fall 2016.

Feminism and Marxism, Spring 2016.

Plato's Republic, Fall 2014.

Aristotle's Ethics, Spring 2014.

Gramsci, Fall 2013.

Oueer Theory, Spring 2013.

Plato's Republic, Fall 2012.

Care of the Self (Foucault and the Ancients), Spring 2012. Feminism and Marxism, Fall 2011. Philosophy I, Spring 2011.

<u>University of Roma Tor Vergata</u> *Plotino, Enneade II 5*, Spring 2018. *Plotino e la materia*, Spring 2007.

Mixed Graduate/Undergraduate Courses

Boston University

Plato I, Plato's Republic, Spring 2025

CONFERENCE PAPERS AND INVITED TALKS

2025 'Racism in Plato's *Laws*', Reading Plato from theb Global South, Southwest University, Chongqing, China, June 25-27.

'Il coraggio delle donne in Senofonte', Doctoral lecture, University of Rome Tor Vergata, May 28.

Alcibiades' *Thumotic* Problem and the Shadow of Tyranny, 18th West Coast Plato Workshop, US Sa Diego, May 16-18 (keynote lecture).

'Hopping on Swords: Xenophon on Women's Courage', ISSS panel, APA Conference, NYC, January 10.

2024 'La Repubblica di Platone: prima e seconda ondata", Università di Roma La Sapienza, May 29.

'Social Reproduction and Primitive Accumulation', International Symposium on Social Reproduction, La Sorbonne, Paris, May 22, 23 and 24.

'The Figure of Aspasia in First Generation Socratics: Aeschines, Antisthenes and Xenophon', *Philosophy Before and After Plato*, Classical Philosophy Conference, Princeton University, December 9 and 10.

'Looking at the Black Sea: Genê and Civic Theôria in Plato's Laws', University of Chicago, Neubaurem Collegium for Culture and Society, December 1.

'Looking at the Black Sea: *Genê and Civic Theôria in Plato's* Laws', Cornell University, Philosophy Department, November 8.

- 'Sexual Difference in Question: The Justice of the First Wave in Plato's Republic', Villanova University, Philosophy Department, October 20.
- 'Under Aspasia's Spell: the Socratic Circle on Eros, Marriage, and Foreign Women', Annual Conference of the Brazilian Society of Classical Studies, September 25.
- 'Under Aspasia's Spell: the Socratic Circle on Eros, Marriage, and Foreign Women', Keynote address, Identity Play: Constructing the Self in the Ancient Mediterranean, The 15th Annual CUNY Graduate Center Grad Students Conference in Classics, April 28 (online).
- 2023 'The Logic of Sexual Difference and Equality in Plato's Republic 5', WIP, Philosophy and Classics Departments, NYU, February 10.
- 'La logica della differenza e dell'uguaglianza sessuale nel libro V 2022 della Repubblica di Platone', Scuola Normale Superiore, December 20.
 - 'La tirannide democratica e la sua psicologia morale nei libri VIII e IX della Repubblica di Platone', Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa, December 19.
 - 'Philosophical Madness and the Limits of Human Moderation in Plato's Phaedrus', Boston University, November 10.
 - 'Phaedrus, 249d-257b', Plato Dialogue Project, Athens, September 22-24.
 - 'Wearing Virtue, Plato's Republic V, 449a-457b and the Socratic Debate on Women's Nature", International Symposium Pato Today!, September 12-14, 2022 (online).
 - 'Philosophical Madness and the Limits of Human Moderation in Plato's Phaedrus', Philosophy Department, NSSR, September 8.
 - "Plotinus" Critique of Aristotle in Ennead 3.6 [26].8-10", Plotinus Conference, Princeton University, Philosophy Department, September 3-4.
 - 'The Feminist Strike Movement and the Question of Universalism', Philosophy Department, University of Utrecht, June 2.
 - MA Guest Lecture, 'Virtue and Sexual Difference in the Socratic Circle', Philosophy Department, University of Utrecht, June 2.
 - MA Guest Lecture, 'Feminism and Social Reproduction', Philosophy Department, Loyola University, April 12.
 - 'The Androgynous Soul and the Socratic Circle', UNR Symposium on the Soul, March 31 and April 1.
 - Keynote speaker, Central PA Consortium WGSS Conference, March 25.

- 2021 'Feminist Movements in a Pandemic World', "Social Reproduction in/under Crisis", Department of Gender and Women's Studies, Berkeley University, April 12.
 - 'Philosopher-Queens: A Social Reproduction Reading of the First Two Waves in Plato's Republic V', WIP talks, Classics Department, NYU, April 8.
 - 'Philosopher-Queens: A Social Reproduction Reading of the Abolition of the Oikos in Plato's Republic Book V', "I Jornada Archai Gênero e Antiguidade: problemas e métodos", University of Brasilia, February 22.
 - 'Reading Philosophical Arguments in Historical Context: A Disappearing Art', "Historical Materialism and the Classics", AIA/SCS Joint Annual Meeting, January 5-10.
 - 'Tyranny and Shamelessness in Pato and Today', "New Perspectives on Plato's Internal Critique of the Athenian Politeia", AIA/SCS Joint Annual Meeting, January 5-10.
- 2020 'Readings and Misreadings of Primitive Accumulation', The Franke Lectures in the Humanities, Yale McMillan Center, December 9.
 - 'Democracy, tyranny, and Shamelessness in Plato's Republic', "Demokratie und Populismus in der griechischen Antike und heute", ZAZH - Zentrum Altertumswissenschaften Zürich, February 12-14.
 - 'Democratic Hedonism and its Tyrannical Child in Plato's Republic', The C.J. de Vogel symposium "21st century Plato", Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, November 29.
- 2019 Invited panelist, Ethics Here and Now: Racial Justice, Reproductive Justice, Climate Justice, Symposium, Fairfield University, October 4.

Keynote speaker, Conference of the Interdisciplinary Center for Studies and Research on Marx and Marxism, Universidade Federal Fluminense, Niterói-Rio de Janeiro, August 26-30.

- 'Plato on Shame', Philosophy in Assos. Plato, July 1-4.
- 'Social Reproduction, Class Formation and the New Feminist Wave', The Future with Marx, International Conference, Moscow School of Social and Economic Sciences, May 24-25.

Feminism for the 99%. A Manifesto, book panels in Berlin, Bologna, Philadelphia, Milan, New York, Naples, Rome, Padua, Rio de Janeiro, Santiago de Chile, Seattle, Zagreb.

'What's the Need for Shame? Plato on Shamelesness and Injustice', Scranton University, February 27.

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Beyond the Logic of Parallel Movements: the New Feminist Wave as Class Formation', International Conference on Feminism and Marxism, National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM), February 11-12.

2018 Invited Panelist at the 8th Conference of the Latin America Council of Social Sciences (CLACSO), Buenos Aires, November 19-23.

> 'La lutte féministe comme lutte de classe : retour sur la question du sujet de l'histoire', Socialisme/communisme. Penser et construire les alternatives, International conference, Maison des Sciences de l'Homme Paris-Nord, November 9-10.

> 'Social Reproduction and Class Struggle', Keynote talk at the 9th International Marx & Engels Colloquium, University of Campinas - Unicamp Campinas (SP), Brazil, July 17-20.

> 'Reflections on class, feminism and the work of social reproduction', Keynote speaker, 36th International Labour Process Conference, University of Buenos Aires, March 21-23.

2017 'Clever Villains: The Tyrant's Reason in Plato's Republic', CUNY Graduate Center, Classics Department, December 8.

> 'Bad Lovers and Lovers of the Demos: What Phaedrus Shows about Callicles [and vice versa]', Vassar College, November 29.

> 'Capitalism and the Conflict over Universality', Feminism and Marxism: an Unhappy Marriage?, Universidad Michoacana de San Nicolás de Hidalgo, November 8-10.

> 'From Democracy to Tyranny: Plato, Trump, and the Misuses of a Philosophical Trope', Trump Philosophy, The Arendt-Schurmann Annual Symposium in Political Philosophy, April 28-29.

> Respondant to Jessica Moss, 'Why can rhetoric produce only doxa?', Between Philosophy and Rhetoric, NYU Classics Department, May 13-14.

> Keynote speaker at the Final Plenary 'The International Women's Strike and the Anticapitalist Feminist Movement', Historical Materialism Conference, New York City, April 23.

2016 'Tyrannical Democracy's Deceiving Gentleness in Plato's Republic', Kratology: Workshop at the Institute for Comparative Literature and Society, Columbia University, November 10.

- Translation and Commentary of Plotinus, *Ennead* V 3, 9-10, *Plotinus Workshop*, Cornell University, October 28-30.
- 'The Demos and its Son: Tyranny and the Critique of Democracy in Plato's Republic', Keynote Speaker at the Ancient Philosophy Society at SPEP 2016, Salt Lake City, October 20.
- 'Let Us Take Care of Ourselves: Stoic Exercises and Foucault', STOICON 2016, New York City, October 15.
- 'Plato's Critique of Tyranny as a Critique of Democracy in *Republic* VIII and IX', Philosophie für die Polis, GANPH, Universität Zurich, September 6-9.
- 'Repenser l'oppression des femmes et le capitalisme: théorie unitaire et reproduction sociale', CNRS, Séminaire Féminismes matérialistes et analyses critiques, Paris, May 17.
- 'Bad Lovers and Lovers of the Demos: What the *Phaedrus* Shows about Callicles', at *Phaedrus Workshop*, CUNY, March 18-19.
- 'Gender and Sexuality: within and beyond Capitalism', at the Conference 'Jenseits des Kapitalismus', Wuppertal University, February 4-6.
- 2015 'Capitalism and the Conflict over Universality: a Feminist Perspective', at *Thinking Universalities*, De Paul University, Chicago, October 23-24.
 - 'Conflictual Universality: A Feminist Perspective on Revolution', at Rethinking Revolution, University of Helsinki, September 25.
- 2015 'The Gender of Capital: Women's Oppression and Capital's Reproduction', University of Helsinki, September 22.
 - 'Spirit in Plato's Republic and the Tyrant's Psychopathology', New School for Social Research, September 17.
 - 'Il corpus degli scritti platonici: una rilettura di insieme', Università degli studi di Roma La Sapienza, March 31.
 - 'Il lupo e il tiranno: il *thumos* del tiranno nella *Repubblica* di Platone', Università degli studi di Milano, March 10.
 - 'The Wolf and the Lion: The Tyrant's Spirit in Plato's Republic', at the Conference on Ancient Philosophy, University of Bonn, January 21.
 - 'Loups et lions. Le thumos du tyran chez Platon', University of Fribourg (CH), November 24.

- 2014 'Gender as Social Temporality: Butler (and Marx)', Applied Philosophy Lyceum, Middle Tennessee State University, March 28.
 - 'Social Reproduction Feminism and its Critics', School of Politics and International Relations, Queen Mary University of London, January 30.

'On Plato and Foucault', MA lecture, CIDRAL Theory Intensive, University of Manchester, January 29.

Series of book panels on Dangerous Liaisons. Marriages and Divorces of Marxism and Feminism: Oxford, January 27; London, January 28; Manchester, January 29.

- 2013 'Social Reproduction Feminism and its Critics', at the workshop Crisis, Critique, Capitalism, Collège d'études mondiales under the auspices of the Chair in "Global Justice", Paris, November 21-23.
 - 'Philosophical Dogs and Tyrannical Wolves in Plato's Republic', Hannah Arendt and Reiner Schürmann Symposium in Political Philosophy, New School for Social Research, May 10-11.

'Gender as Social Temporality: Butler (and Marx)', Critical Theory Conference, University of Oregon, April 18-20.

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Israel's far-right government, the most racist, fundamentalist and fanatic ever has been ruthlessly escalating its ethnic cleansing, siege, killings, incarceration, and daily humiliation of millions of Indigenous Palestinians in the occupied Gaza Strip and the West Bank, including East Jerusalem. It believed that its unmasked brutality would force Palestinians to simply surrender and accept oppression as fate.

Drunk with power and impunity as a result of unconditional US and European collusion, funding and arming, as well as the shamefuhormalization and military alliances (https://pushiovenienchevo/pushiosanians-and-saudis-stant) together-against-normalization-with-apartheid-israel] with Arab dictatorships, with the Palestinian Authority's complicity, the Netanyahu regime has felt it was time to bury the "question of Palestine" once and for all.

Ignoring this crucial context, the Western choir is, again, decrying the Palestinian "violent attacks" on Israel.



Regardless how people around the world view armed resistance and how international law regulates it, they cannot but agree with the Brazilian educator Paulo Freire who says, IIII Paulo Freire who says, III Paulo Freire who sa

"With the establishment of a relationship of oppression, violence has already begun. Never in history has violence been initiated by the oppressed. ... Violence is initiated by those who oppress, who exploit, who fail to recognize others as persons — not by those who are oppressed, exploited, and unrecognized."

Since oppression is the root cause of violence, to end all violence — the initial and ongoing violence of the oppressor and the reactive resistance of the oppressed — we must act to end oppression. As proven in the South African struggle that dismantled apartheid there, exposing an ending state, corporate and institutional complicity in Israels 75-year-old regime of settler-colonialism and apartheid in the provention of the most ethical and strategic forms of international solidarity to end all oppression and all violence. Only thus can we achieve freedom, justice, equality and dignity

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We are a group of philosophy professors in North America, Latin America, and Europe writing to publicly and unequivocally express our solidarity with the Palestinian people and to denounce the ongoing and rapidly escalating massacre being committed in Gaza by Israel and with the full financial, material, and ideological support of our own governments.

We do not claim any unique authority moral, intellectual, or otherwise on the basis of our being philosophers. However, our discipline has made admirable strides recently in confronting philosophy's historically exclusionary practices and in engaging directly with pressing and urgent injustices. To this end, we call on our colleagues in philosophy to join us in overcoming complicity and silence.

As we write, bombs have killed over 8,500 people in Gaza. By the time you read this, that number will have risen. [Update 2/29/24: the death toll is now estimated to have surpassed 29,000.]

Thousands more are trapped under rubble. For over three weeks, a siege of the territory has cut off food, water, medicine, fuel, and electricity. A million inhabitants of northern Gaza have been ordered to flee their homes amid airstrikes and in advance of an ongoing ground invasion with nowhere safe to go. Talk of a second *nakba* is chilling, yet apt. People of conscience have an obligation to speak out against these atrocities. This is not a difficult step to take; what is far more difficult for us is to turn away in silence and complicity from an <u>unfolding genocide</u>.

To focus, as we do here, on the actions of the Israeli state and the unflagging support it receives from the US and its allies, is neither to celebrate violence, nor to equivocate on the value of innocent lives. Civilian deaths, regardless of nationality, are tragic and unacceptable. Yet to act as though the history of violence began with Hamas's attacks on October 7, 2023 is to display a reckless indifference to history as well as to both Palestinian and Israeli lives. In order for violence to stop, the conditions that produce violence must stop.

The blockade of Gaza has lasted 16 years; the occupation of the West Bank and Gaza has lasted 56 years; the dispossession of Palestinians of their lands and homes across historic Palestine has lasted three quarters of a century, since the 1948 establishment of Israel as an ethno-supremacist state. It is not without reason that observers including both international and Israeli human rights groups now characterize Israel's control over the land from the Jordan River to the Mediterranean Sea as a system of apartheid.

Most importantly, we are all too aware that the countries in which we live and work and to which we pay taxes is funding and abetting one party and one party only in this deeply asymmetric conflict. That party is not the oppressed, but the oppressor.

Right now, the people of Gaza have urged allies worldwide to exert pressure on their governments to demand an immediate ceasefire. But this should this *must* be the beginning and not the end of collective action for liberation. If there is to be justice and peace, the siege of Gaza must end, the blockade must end and the occupation must end. Above all, the rights *all* people currently living between the Jordan River and the Mediterranean, as well as those of Palestinian refugees in exile must be respected.

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We invite our fellow philosophers to join us in solidarity with Palestine and the struggle against apartheid and

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occupation. In particular, join us in supporting the <u>academic</u> and cultural boycott of Israeli institutions distinct from individuals—as outlined by the Palestinian Campaign for the Academic and Cultural Boycott of (<u>PACBI</u>). We urge all individuals to speak out openly and fearlessly, and work to advance the cause of Palestinian liberation and justice for all.

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We write as members of Haverford Faculty for Justice in Palestine to express our grief and outrage regarding the shooting of Haverford College student Kinnan Abdalhamid, Brown University student Hisham Awartani, and Trinity College student Tahseen Ali Ahmad in Burlington, Vermont, on November 25, 2023. These three Palestinian college students were shot simply for speaking Arabic and wearing keffiyehs. We extend our support and solidarity to Kinnan, Tahseen, and Hisham, and their families. As faculty and staff at Haverford College, we also stand with the Palestinian, Arab, Muslim, and anti-Zionist students who have felt silenced and fearful of the current climate of hostility and intimidation towards critics of the Israeli state.

The shooting of these three young people is just another example of the wave of anti-Arab, anti-Palestinian racism, and Islamophobia that is growing across the U.S., particularly on college campuses. The long-standing efforts of Zionists to suppress pro-Palestinian voices on college campuses, including the targeting of groups such as Students for Justice in Palestine and Jewish Voice for Peace, have created a hostile climate for Arab, Muslim, and anti-Zionist Jewish students. It is this hostile environment, that equates anti-Zionism with antisemitism, that contributes to the broader surge in Islamophobic violence and anti-Arab racism.

As scholars, teachers, and university staff, we urge institutions of higher education to support free speech and academic freedom and to combat the spread of false narratives that equate support for Palestine with antisemitism. The material consequence of this hostile climate and spread of false information is the actual physical violence targeting Brown and Black bodies, including the shooting of Kinnan Abdalhamid, Tahseen Ahmed, and Hisham Awartani.

Our goal should be to encourage students to seek out accurate information (especially outside of the biased representation in mainstream media coverage), provide historical context, and facilitate nuanced analysis, **not** to encourage simplistic thinking that conflates critiques of state violence with antisemitism. We **stand with** the tens of thousands of <u>anti-Zionist American Jews</u> who are saying, "Not in our name!" to the Israeli state's genocidal violence against Gaza. We encourage colleges and universities, including Haverford College, to stand with the nonviolent international <u>Boycott</u>, <u>Divestment</u>, and <u>Sanctions</u> (<u>BDS</u>) movement by supporting the <u>academic boycott</u> of Israel. We reiterate our support for pro-Palestinian students, particularly

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Students for Justice in Palestine and Jewish Voice for Peace, who have come under attack for critiquing the violence of both the U.S. and Israeli state.

We urge faculty and staff at colleges and universities globally, particularly our fellow Faculty for Justice in Palestine chapters, to sign on to our statement here. *You must complete the Google form (click on the link to the left) to add your name, as you can not do it manually. Please use this URL to share this doc: https://tinyurl.com/HaverfordFJPstatement

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This war must end now!

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We write as scholars and educators in the social sciences, the humanities, and the arts to call for an immediate and permanent cease-fire in the conflict between Israel and Hamas, for the immediate lifting of Israel's blockade of Gaza, and for the immediate release of all hostages. This war must end now!

As we write, nearly 16,000 people have been killed in Gaza, thousands of whom are children. More than 1.8 million people have been displaced, including to areas in southern Gaza subject to further bombardment. Even purported "safe zones" lack water, food, sanitation, fuel, electricity and basic health care. Disease is already spreading. Schools, cultural sites, and universities have also been destroyed or damaged by Israeli bombardments. Scholars, journalists, teachers, and students have been killed. As university professionals, these attacks are of special concern to us. In the West Bank, settler violence in the form of murder, physical assaults, and property destruction is also escalating. The sheer scale of human suffering necessitates an immediate end to the conflict on all sides and the pursuit of nonmilitary solutions to longstanding conflicts in the region.

We continue to condemn the assault led by Hamas on October 7, 2023. The murder and kidnapping of Israeli civilians and migrant workers, as well as the use of sexual and gender-based violence as a war weapon, are unacceptable. The October 7 massacre has triggered traumatic memories of historical Jewish persecution and legitimate concerns about rising, global anti-Semitism.

At the same time, we condemn the ongoing Israeli response in Gaza, which amounts to the collective punishment of Gaza's population. Its ferocity and scope, targeting of civilian infrastructure, and reckless assault on civilian life vastly exceeds any justifiable claim of

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"self-defense" or "proportionate response." Each day of continued fighting adds to the unconscionable toll of human suffering. It also risks a larger conflict, possibly involving Lebanon, Iran, and even the United States.

As Israel's longtime patron and ally, the United States bears enormous responsibility for this crisis. The Biden administration's unconditional support for Israel at the United Nations has made any Security Council resolution demanding a ceasefire impossible. Most nations, and peoples of the world, back this demand. U.S. ordnance has already been used by Israel in likely violation of international law. We categorically oppose the transfer of additional weapons or other military aid to Israel. We call on the Biden administration and other U.S. political leaders to engage with the international community and do everything in their power to secure an immediate and permanent ceasefire, the greater provision of humanitarian aid, the release of all hostages, the ability of displaced Gazans to return home, and the meaningful restart of a just and lasting peace process that will provide for Palestinian dignity, self-determination, and coexistence.

We condemn all forms of racial and religious discrimination. We also reject the automatic conflation of criticism of Israel with anti-Semitism,* as well as the blanket condemnation of those with sympathies for Israel as apologists for the Israeli state's current conduct. We write in the conviction that the educational institutions of which we are part have a responsibility to preserve conditions for open and informed dialogue and must uphold the rights of all students, faculty and staff to freely assemble and express their views on this conflict — however divergent and contentious they may be.

The violence did not begin on October 7. A truthful reckoning with the past is a crucial part of the process required to create the conditions for political equality amongst all of the people who live between the Jordan River and the Mediterranean Sea. We may differ on how that process should proceed. This is precisely why we wish to defend a space for open dialogue. The differences among us do not prevent agreement on the urgent need for a ceasefire and life-saving aid.

*The Jerusalem Declaration on Antisemitism is an excellent moral and rational alternative to the IHRA definition of what does, and does not constitute anti-Semitism in speech about the Israel-Palestinian conflict.

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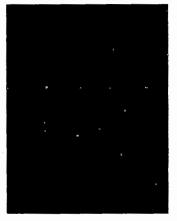


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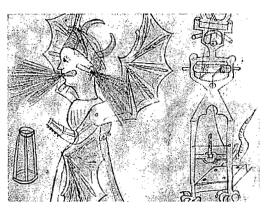
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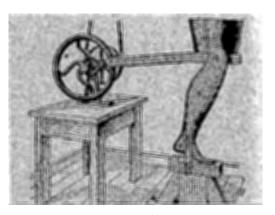
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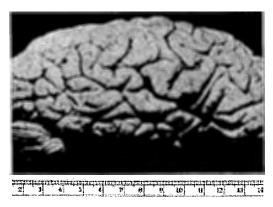
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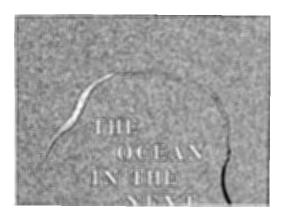
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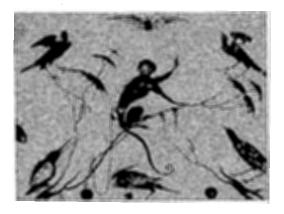
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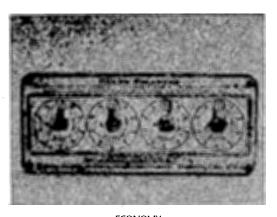


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The open letter below was initiated by U.S.-based anti-Zionist Jewish feminists. It has since gained support across the United States and internationally. As its preamble notes, the signatories "believe we have a particular responsibility to speak out in support of Palestinian rights and against the current genocide."

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It also states clearly, "We support the investigation initiated by the highly-qualified members of the U.N. Commission of Inquiry into the entire range of war crimes committed during both the October 7 Hamas attack and the Israeli state's subsequent assault on Gaza."

The letter is a response to efforts to discredit supporters of women's rights who speak out against rape but also oppose Israel's genocidal assault on Gaza.



February 19, 2024, march to save Rafah, the city in southern Gaza that Israel is preparing to invade as part of its nearly five-month-long war on the Palestinian territory. The action took place at the San Francisco Civic Center. (Photo: Howard Petrick)

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Below the list of signers, the document concludes with a section on background and resources, which includes links to op-eds, articles, and websites with information and opinion on the issues involved.

Among them, a December 1, 2023, statement by the organization MADRE — Calling for a Survivor-Centered Approach to Sexual Violence in Israel, Palestine and Beyond (https://www.madre.org/media-item/calling-for-a-survivor-centered-approach-to-sexual-violence-in-israel-palestine-and-beyond/) — stands out. MADRE, as its web site explains, was "founded in 1983" as "an international human rights organization that transcends geographies and generations to deliver sustainable gender, racial, climate, and disability justice." Its statement says in part:

Eyewitnesses and first responders to the Hamas attacks on October 7 have reported that militants committed sexual violence against Israeli women and girls. UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres has called for an investigation, amplifying a demand put forward by Israeli feminist organizations. MADRE categorically condemns the use of gender-based violence in war. While we cannot independently verify claims of sexual violence on October 7, they deserve to be investigated, as do reports of sexual violence committed by Israeli security forces and settlers, which has long been used to subjugate Palestinians....

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We reject any presumption that our support for Palestinian liberation leaves no room for condemnation of attacks against civilians, or that compassion for Israeli victims requires an endorsement of Israel's assault on Gaza. We also repudiate racist notions that tarnish all Palestinian men as predators or that hold the entire Palestinian people responsible for the attacks by Hamas. Furthermore, seeking justice for Israeli survivors does not imply a moral or material equivalency between Israeli and Hamas crimes.

World-Outlook is publishing the open letter that follows and the list of background materials for the information of our readers. The original can be found here (https://stopmanipulatingsexualassault.org/).



Open Letter to the Israeli and U.S. Governments and Others Weaponizing the Issue of Rape

All too often in the fog of war, the brutality of sexual assault and rape is lost in the public eye, and bringing these abuses to light is something for which feminists have fought for decades.

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Complicating this issue, however, is the fact that accusations of sexual assault have also been wielded as a tool of war – and as an (often lethal) weapon of racism and colonialism.

In its current war against the people of Gaza, the Israeli government has chosen to weaponize the issue of sexual violence for political outcome. The statement below will be delivered to officials of the Israeli government who have mounted a public crusade manipulating this issue to both legitimize - and divert attention from - their campaign of ethnic cleansing, to dehumanize Palestinians, and to vilify those who criticize their actions. It will also be sent to U.S. officials, prominent public figures and others who, with intention or misguidedly, have joined the fray by demonizing a variety of feminist organizations and individuals. In some cases, these attacks have included orchestrated campaigns to withdraw funding for critical work. They have also fueled harassment and doxing of staff or board members that, reprehensibly, has included threats of rape and death.

The statement was initiated by U.S.-based anti-zionist Jewish feminists who believe we have a particular responsibility to speak out in support of Palestinian rights and against the current genocide. It has since garnered support from across the U.S. and throughout the world. Many of the signers have worked on or researched the issue of sexual violence for decades. Many have directly supported survivors and/or are

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survivors ourselves. Collectively, we are accustomed to holding complicated realities in our minds, which we believe to be a necessary practice in a complex and unjust world.

The signers of this statement stand together both in condemning all instances of war crimes – including sexual violence – and in defending those who are under attack for challenging Israel's deadly assault on Palestinians.

In the face of these attempts to intimidate or discredit us, we refuse to be silenced.

OPEN LETTER TO THE ISRAELI AND U.S. GOVERNMENTS AND OTHERS WEAPONIZING THE ISSUE OF RAPE

We, the undersigned, are responding to the disgraceful coordinated offensive currently being leveled against feminist, women's advocacy, Jewish anti-zionist, and other organizations, agencies and individuals, accusing us of "failing to condemn" reported systematic sexual assaults of Israeli women and children in the brutal October 7 attack by Hamas.

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We repudiate the attempts by the Israeli government, and its apologists, to delegitimize our work, defund social justice and feminist organizations, and undermine our demands that Israel cease its genocidal massacre of Palestinians.

Whether we identify as feminists, as Jews, as antizionists, as all of the above, or as allies, and wherever we are based in the world, we proclaim that we can hold many truths simultaneously in our heads and in our hearts; that is what we do every minute of every day. We excoriate rape and all forms of sexual assault against anyone of any gender or age – whether perpetrated by Hamas, the Israeli Defense Forces (IDF) or anyone else. We also excoriate carpet bombing of civilians, deadly blockades of food, water and fuel, use of illegal chemical weapons, targeted murders of journalists and aid workers, decimation of homes, hospitals, schools, houses of worship, infrastructure and entire family lines, annihilation of culture, kidnapping and hostage-taking, and all war crimes when committed by any party.

For those of us who are Jewish, we embrace our Jewish identity and its history of facing down injustice and we also condemn the actions of the state created in our name that was birthed in massacre and mass expulsion, that has maintained a stifling, racist and dehumanizing occupation for 75 years, and that is currently conducting mass murder of civilians daily with impunity.

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WE CONDEMN RAPE – JUST AS WE CONDEMN EVERY WAR CRIME.

Sexual assault is devastating. Whether perpetrated by state or non-state actors; by strangers, acquaintances, friends or family members; by teachers, coaches, supervisors, co-workers or religious figures of any faith; by police, prison guards, soldiers or guerrilla fighters — we are very familiar with its enduring legacies of trauma and upheaval. And we condemn it equally in every instance.

We believe survivors and we believe reporting that results from investigations conducted by trained feminist and human rights experts who have no agenda other than to clearly and accurately document and convey the gravity of gender-based violence. Sexual assault is pervasive – even commonplace. It is rarely met with the outrage that its incidence, impact and enormity merit. And, history is also replete with examples of rape charges being wielded by stakeholders in armed conflict to render the "enemy" more monstrous – and thus as deserving of ever-more depraved forms of militarized violence. This tactic is as old as war itself. And this means that there are many reasons to distrust either the selective outrage or protestations of innocence – of either governments or militias, or their respective propaganda organs, when it comes to sexual assault. There is an urgent need for increased public consciousness about how such outrage is mobilized during periods of conflict,

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and/or to legitimize racist agendas. And there is equivalent need for public awareness during moments when outrage is conspicuously absent – such as when members of those very governments or militias are accused of sexual abuses within their own ranks.

Israel's current campaign to discredit feminists — especially feminists of color, Arab feminists and Jewish anti-zionist feminists — and others critical of its lethal offensive against Palestinians is insulting and dishonest, but it is nothing new. We see it for what it is: a cynical attempt to incite public fury and deflect attention from the genocide it is perpetrating. And far too many public figures and elected officials have allowed themselves to become participants in this onslaught of accusations against us.

So, let us once again make ourselves clear: We condemn rape. We condemn genocide. And we also condemn the opportunistic manipulation of the issue of sexual assault by those committing war crimes themselves – or by anyone else.

We support the investigation initiated by the highly-qualified members of the U.N. Commission of Inquiry into the entire range of war crimes committed during both the October 7 Hamas attack and the Israeli state's subsequent assault on Gaza – an effort in which Israel thus far has refused to participate. We also support additional inquiries into these sexual assault allegations conducted by impartial feminist and human rights authorities with proven expertise in,

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and sensitivity about, sexual violence, as well as provision of a comprehensive range of services for all survivors by those explicitly trained in addressing sexual trauma. Additionally, we urge investigation into reported atrocities by both Israeli military personnel and non-state actors – including vigilante settler groups – throughout Israel and the Occupied Territories.

Finally, we continue to raise our voices as part of the world-wide call for a permanent ceasefire in Gaza, the release of all hostages and political prisoners, termination of U.S. military aid to Israel and an end to Israeli apartheid.

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Palestinian Feminist Collective Statement

https://palestinianfeministcollective.org/us-feminist-organizations-call-for-permanent-ceasefire-now/ (https://palestinianfeministcollective.org/us-feminist-organizations-call-for-permanent-ceasefire-now/)

Feminists for a Free Palestine statement

https://truthout.org/articles/over-140-prominent-feminist-scholars-demand-ceasefire-end-to-occupation-in-gaza/ (https://truthout.org/articles/over-140-prominent-feminist-scholars-demand-ceasefire-end-to-occupation-in-gaza/)

Feminist Manifesto for Palestine

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Statement by 1,200 scholars working in feminist, queer, and trans studies https://www.jadaliyya.com/Details/45485 (https://www.jadaliyya.com/Details/45485)

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Global Fund for Women "Stop the Massacre" statement

https://www.globalfundforwomen.org/latest/article/palestine-stop-the-massacre/ (https://www.globalfundforwomen.org/latest/article/palestine-stop-the-massacre/)

National Women's Studies Association statement

https://mailchi.mp/nwsa/nwsa-calls-for-a-ceasefire-and-negotiations-to-end-gaza-siege-and-israeli-apartheid-450830 (https://mailchi.mp/nwsa/nwsa-calls-for-a-ceasefire-and-negotiations-to-end-gaza-siege-and-israeli-apartheid-450830)

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Feminist Op-Eds and Statements on Oct. 7 Rape Allegations and/or Weaponization of the Issue of Rape

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